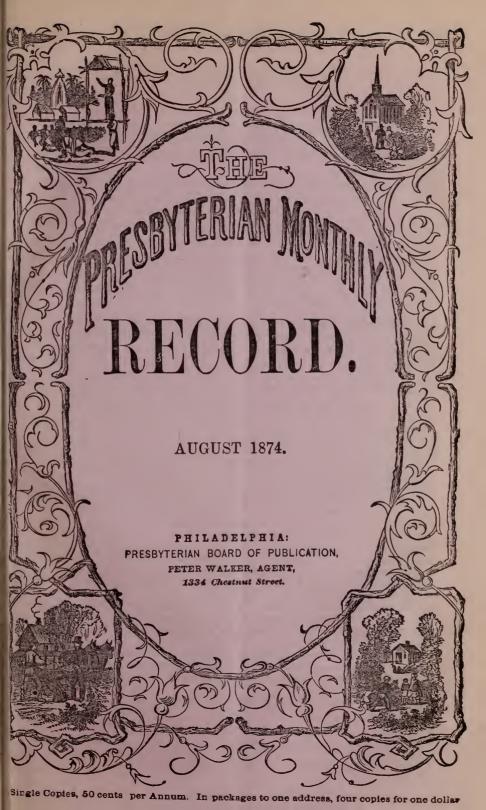


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The State laws differ so much that no one form will answer in all the States, but in every case it is essential to give the RIGHT CORPORATE NAME.

Bequests for Home Missions should be made to "The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America," which is now the corporate title.

Of the Board of Education the corporate name is "The Board of Education of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America."

The Board of Foreign Missions is incorporated under the laws of New York, under the style of "The Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America."

The Board of Publication is incorporated under the laws of Pennsylvania, under the style of "The Trustees of the Presbyterian Board of Publication."

The Board of Church Erection is incorporated under the style of "The Trustees of the Church Erection Fund of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America," incorporated March 31, 1855, by the Legislature of the State of New York.

Bequests that have been made to the "Trustees of the General Assembly," or to the "Trustees of the Presbyterian House," for Church purposes, will be valid.

All Bequests made to the incorporated Boards or Committees of the two late Assemblies are valid, and will be received by the Boards which are their legal successors.

The Relief Fund for Disabled Ministers, and the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Ministers requires the following form:

"I give and bequeath to my executors hereinafter named, —— dollars in trust, nevertheless, that they shall, within —— months after my decease, pay the same to the *Trustees of the General* Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, for the use of the Fund for Disabled Ministers and their Families."

When real estate or other property is given, let it be particularly designated.

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BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

The Annual Report of the Board to the Assembly at St. Louis will reach the ministers and churches before this number of the *Record*. It is commended to the careful and prayerful perusal and study of all. Especial attention is requested to the Treasurer's statement, on the twenty-fifth page. It will be there seen, that, while the trifle (\$12.09) twelve dollars and nine cents was in hand, there was a debt due to the Missionaries for work already done, on quarters already ended, of \$19,500!

This debt has greatly increased since then, as the contributions from the churches have diminished. They were \$8,499.55 less in June than in the same month last year. It is true that this is the "hot season," when small receipts are expected from the churches, but it must be borne in mind that temperature does not diminish the expenses of the great work. This continuous increase of the debt will cripple, and, in the end, stop the mission progress altogether.

Threatening Shadows.

Northwestern Iowa, portions of Minnesota, Dakota, and Nebraska, are scourged by countless clouds of grasshoppers, consuming the crops of wheat, oats, corn, and potatoes. The same sections suffered last year from the same affliction. The poor people are threatened with immediate famine. The calamity is so great as to excite the fears of the public authorities, and cause a cry for help from abroad.

The chinch-bug has desolated portions of Kansas and Missouri, reducing many people to actual want. Missionaries write that in some places the want of suitable clothing prevents some from attending school and church. The Christian father of a large church-going family said to his minister, "None of us can come to church for want of clothing, but my son John and I, and we have to alternate, as we have but one pair of shoes between us." These people are willing, when able, to support the gospel, but now, when destitute and poor by these "visitations of God," they must not be deprived of its comforts. Let the churches abounding in plenty, "think on these things."

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Board of Home Missions.

Then, just now, our whole work on the frontier and in the Rocky Mountain region is disturbed by fears of an Indian invasion. From Southwestern Kansas a missionary writes: "Several white men have been killed and scalped near this place, and I believe over a hundred families have left their homes during the last two days."

All these things—grasshopper, chinch-bug, Indian—all unsettle the work, and whilst impoverishing the people, increase their needs, and enlarge the expenses of the Board. These poor people, in their trials and sufferings, are laboring not for themselves alone, but for us, in extending the foundations and frontiers of our church and country. They deserve well of their fellow-Christians and fellow-countrymen. Never do people need the encouragements and comforts of the gospel, as well as its restraints, as in times of public depression from such calamities as these aforementioned. The missionaries and their ministrations in these feeble and frontier churches must be helped through these times of trouble, at every cost, and at any sacrifice.

A Brighter View.

If the Indian threatens on the one hand, he brings hope on the other. We have now appeals for missionaries from Cherokee chiefs and Creek people. The earnestness of these appeals is full of pathos.

Then there is sent an application, signed with their marks, from two chiefs and thirty warriors of the ancient and honorable tribe of the Oneidas, one of the once powerful nations of the Iroquois, who migrated from the Carolinas, conquering their way over what are now the states of Virginia, Maryland, and Pennsylvania, to New York and Canada, leaving their great and wondrous names still upon many of our rivers and mountains. These chiefs and warriors ask for a missionary to teach and train themselves, and especially their children, in the ways of God, in their homes amidst the pine woods of Wisconsin. What the Board needs is means to prosecute this blessed mission work. The Church has the means. Will she give them? Freely she has received, may she as freely give!

To Applicants.

The practice is evidently growing, to have applications for aid from the Board considered and approved by Committees of Presbytery, instead of by the Presbytery itself. In some cases the Chairman alone seems to act without reference to the Committee, signing the application without alluding to any consent or order from it. Now these committees were originally to act only in extreme cases, when they could not await the meeting of the Presbytery. By this assumption of its duties, the Presbytery is often left in ignorance of its mission field, and the work in it; and the Board is often deprived of the sympathy and support which such a knowledge is calculated to awake and secure.

The Committee on Missions should lay each case before the Presbytery, when possible, with all its details and relations, so that the greatest efficiency and economy can be secured. This is especially important in these times of

SCRAPS FROM THE FIELD.

J----, Oregon, March 28, 1874.

Dear Brother—I have made out my annual report according to the form sent. Now for a private talk with you, by way of a regular report also. I feel so differently when I write to an old friend, from a formal report full of statistics, &c.

Well, indulge me a little in my expressions of loneliness; for indeed I do feel lonely, not in reference to God, and the comfortable presence of His Holy Spirit, for I feel he was never nearer to me; but in reference to my dear departed wife, and now also the children most of the time. They are both absent, trying to make something for their own support. So all the details of keeping house, cooking, washing, sweeping, making my bed, feeding the animals, chickens, cats, &c., demand my attention every night and morning. I have just finished getting breakfast, and cleaning up generally, preparing for the Sabbath. I dread, most of all, making bread; but I had a nice baking this morning. My skill increases as my experience advances. After all these items—cares shall I call them?—are attended to every morning, then I begin my preparation for the Sabbath. I get my Greek Testament, Greek Lexicons, around me, and examine the original text, and the parallel passages, drawing all I can from them. Then I read all the Commentaries I have on the same, taking from them what suits me, till I have the framework of my sermon pretty well written out.

This is the work of every day, except on Monday, when I try to keep from all severe study. But Tuesday I calculate to begin anew for the next Sabbath. Sometimes, of course, I am interrupted, and have to catch up the hours as I can. How often I wish for an efficient, warm-hearted brother to help me preach the gospel to this people, visit the sick, bury the dead, &c. My labors, in conjunction with his, would give more prestige, and with the blessing of God would be more efficient.

All my appointments go on regularly, generally well attended even during the winter. Pray for us, my dear brother.

Most truly yours,

M. A. W.

Dear Brethren-In making the third quarterly report of the current year, commencing August 1st, 1873, I have nothing very special to communicate. I am happy to say that there is nothing specially discouraging in this field. We have had the regular preaching of the word, and the regular adminis-tration of the ordinances. I preached twice on the Sabbath at the Centre, as often as circumstances would permit in adjacent fields. I have preached several times in a Congregational church some four miles distant, and last Sabbath administered the sacrament to that church. I have desired to connect that church with this, as a part of my field of labor. We hope in due time this union may be effected. At each of our communions we have received several additions by letter and on profession. I think our church is steadily gaining strength. My earnest desire is to make this church selfsustaining; we are in a rich farming region, and at no very distant day this church will become an important and influential one. We now have about 80 members, and had we not suffered by removals this year, we could have got along another year without help. The churches of Maumee Presbytery seem to be doing well. Last week held our spring meeting of Presby-

tery. Everything looks encouraging. Two weeks since we raised a fine bell, of Meneely's make. This gives strength-fills my church with a larger and more punctual audience. Everything with us seems in good working condition. We were very much cursed with saloons; these, with one exception, our ladies have closed; and, what is better, their keepers are now quite regular attendants upon church. This is truly a great work in our State, especially in this portion of Ohio. I have never in my experience seen such results in the Temperance cause. Often we see from fifty to seventy-five ladies, after a season of prayer, go forth from my church to work in the saloons. It is truly the work of God. Imagine fifty ladies in a semicircle gathered before the door of a saloon, two ladies in its centre kneeling in prayer, the streets still as a church, then most impressive singing; men standing often with uncovered heads, weeping-hard men at that-and you can see our condition. No hard words are uttered. No insults ever given to the ladies, but oh! such touching prayer,-and from ladies who never before prayed in public.

I forward my annual report in season. My family have been well, and we are all at work in the best of causes.

J. H. B.

Dear Brethren—The end of this quarter of a year completes four years and two months of my labors in this place. It has been perhaps the most trying period of my whole ministry; because it has been a period of sowing for others to reap. The sheaves which, under more favorable circumstances, I should have gathered with rejoicing, have been providentially borne away to enrich other regions. I have been compelled to witness the sad sight of those whose hearts have been made tender by gospel influences taking their departure westward, northward, and southward, leaving just so much the more dearth and barrenness in H—.

In my annual report, which accompanies this, I have numbered twelve conversions. Perhaps I might have reported several more safely. But alas! these do not inure to the upbuilding of the H—— church. They have been swept into the revival stream of our neighboring church at J——. This has been the greatest trial of all. They belong to my school-house congregation. They profess attachment to my person and my ministry; but H—— is a place with which they have no social sympathies. Probably, in the new life upon which they have entered, this feeling may have been overcome, had they not been plied with outside influences. But as it is, they seem to prefer having their church relations elsewhere. It is possible that there may yet be a separate church organization in that neighborhood; in which event it would of course be an adjunct to the H—— interest. But changes occur so rapidly here, that it is difficult to forecast anything. In our perplexity we can only await the ordering of Him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will, and await the developments of His providence.

My salary during the year has, as was expected, sustained a further reduction of about \$100; so that it did not quite reach \$300. But unusually liberal donations have, to some extent, made up the deficiency; and thus I was enabled to close the year out of debt. In addition to this, there came to me unexpectedly—like manna from heaven—a most munificent present, at least it was so to me. The Lord's share of this I desire the Treasurer to deduct from his next remittance to me, which will double my contribution to the Home Mission Board and the Disabled Ministers' Fund, and give three dollars to the Education cause. Among my mercies, I count this not among the least, that thus far I have been enabled to cast my mite into the Lord's treasury, undiminished, every year during the past four years of my diminishing salary, and the last of the four even to increase it. It is truly wonderful that I have been enabled to do this, and put by \$150 for the benefit of my poor blind daughter, which I have done. It reminds me of the perennial cruse of oil and barrel of meal of the poor widow, who of old fed the Lord's prophet. Had Professor Tyndall been the subject of a life-experience such as mine has been, God would never have been insulted nor the Christian world astounded by the invention of his blasphemous "prayerguage." For my part, I can thankfully testify that it is not only the Christian's duty, but his high privilege, to "trust and not be afraid." And I know that if he will but cultivate this spirit, his joyful song shall continually be, "Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the man that trusteth in Him." "Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!"

Respectfully and fraternally yours, G. W. L.

I hereby send my second quarterly report of my services in this field of labor. This report is for the quarter beginning with the 2d Sabbath of January. We held services, union services most of the time, during January, February and into March; preaching and prayer-meetings from four to five evenings (also during the day,) out of seven. We felt quite encouraged to go on with the meetings. The congregations were good and the services were very solemn. The interest was greatest among the young people. They filled up the church and were very much interested and affected. Many rose for prayers, and said they had a sincere desire to live a Christian life, and serve the Lord. The effect of these meetings has been very fine spiritually on our Sabbath-school, which was never so large before. I am expecting that some of these young persons will come out and join our church at our next communion. We must look to the young people here as the only hope of this church. We cannot expect that those who have attained manhood and are still out of the church will come in. Yet the Lord may convert them, which is our daily prayer. We are sowing the seed in a fruitful soil when we sow it in the young heart. My congregations on the Sabbath are excellent and increasing, and vastly more interest manifested than before our meetings. My people are so scattered that it is exceedingly difficult to assemble all of them for a weekly prayer-meeting, and without giving up the public prayer-meeting, I am attempting to hold a prayer-meeting in every house within the bounds of my congregation. Success so far has attended these efforts. We have held several very interesting prayer-meetings in private houses. The neighbors come in and take some part. I shall continue these meetings-I have two appointed for this week. My field is twelve miles square, too much scattered to efficiently cultivate. The people too, when we really get at their real thoughts and opinions, have local interesis to such an extent, that except there is some change, they can never efficiently concentrate for the upbuilding of a strong powerful central church. Yet the field is in the hands of the Lord. He knows all about its difficulties. He is able to shorten distances. His arm is not shortened. His love is not limited. We will trust in the Lord. We will work with patience as performing the Lord's work. My visits among this people are very pleasant, and I am among them all the time, travelling, preaching, praying, and holding prayer-meetings. May the Lord pour out his Spirit upon this people. We are surrounded by worldliness. Romanism, Universalism, and those who say that the Sabbath is no better than any other day, and the Bible no better book than any other book. We will trust in the Lord. Fraternally. J. W. McG.

Dear Brethren-The time has arrived when it becomes my duty to make my last quarterly report for the year as your missionary. And in looking back over the labors of the year, I can say truly that I have labored hard; but the results, so far as they appear, are very few. During the last three months I have kept up my regular services. I was absent a few of the last of March and first of April, but my place was supplied while gone. I held a convention of Christians in our place in March. We enjoyed it very much, but have seen no permanent good results. I have, in connection with our Methodist brother located here, been holding temperance meetings, and I hope good has been done. But there seems to be but little true spiritual And while there are no divisions in the church, and the people toward life. me personally are very kind, yet I feel constrained to leave the field, hoping that God may use some other brother. I shall terminate my connection with this field, and with it my connection, at least for the present, with the dear old Board of Home Missions. So far as receiving from it is concerned, I have been on frontier missionary ground ever since I entered the ministry, and have, during all that time, received aid from the Board. I expect now to take charge of a church near Pittsburgh, which will give me my support. I am under deep and lasting obligation to the Board, and will do for it in my new field what I can. In it lies the great power of our Church, so far as human means are concerned, for the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom in the world. Without it, Foreign Missions would soon wither. May God very much increase your power for doing good, and guide and bless you in all your work, is the earnest prayer of yours in the Gospel, J. H. H.

It has been a very hard year for my congregation; money tight, and work very scarce. Many of my people have been idle all winter, with no resources to fall back on. Widows, of whom we have many, have cast in their mites into the Lord's treasury, but you must excuse me for not reporting on the salary question; the point is too tender to myself and my dear flock. The record is on high. Let it rest there; suffice it to say "bread has been given us, water has been sure." I hope the future will be brighter than the past or present. I must waive this subject; the eyes are too full of tears, the heart too full of emotion. Please don't let this church fail; help it through its struggles. It will have a bright history when the books are opened, and the records of eternity examined. It will be found to have been a lighthouse to many a toiler on life's troubled sea, guiding them into the harbor of rest.

I feel confident that my Father and your Father, my Saviour and your Saviour, will prompt you to give us a liberal appropriation for the coming year. Our collection to the Home Mission is \$10.

Yours in Christ,

W. P.

HOME MISSION APPOINTMENTS

MADE IN JUNE, 1874.

- Rev. Wm. M Baker, South Boston 4th ch., Mass. Rev. Wm. M Baker, South Boston 4th ch., Mass. Rev. H Lancashire, Malta ch., N.Y. Rev S. Manderville, Masonville ch. N. Y. Rev. I. M Ballou, Clarence ch., N. Y. Rev. J. Barber, Chaumont ch., N. Y. Rev. J. H. Board, Canaseraga ch., N. Y. Rev. H. W. Morris, Rochester, Calvary ch., N. Y. Rev. J. N. Crocker, Saratoga, 2d ch., N. Y. Rev. J. N. Crocker, Saratoga, 2d ch., N. Y. Rev. J. W. Mortis, Brasher Falls ch., N. Y. Rev. G. W. McMillan, Perrineville ch., N. J. Rev. G. W. McMillan, Perrineville ch., N. J. Rev. B. Smith. Union ch. N. J.

- Rev. R. D. Smith, Union ch., N. J.

- Rev. W. A. Lynch, Elizabeth, Siloam ch., N. J.
 Rev. Isaac Todd, Holmansville ch., N. J.
 Rev. A Marcellus, Plumstead ch., N. J.
 Rev. M. L. Hofford, Fairview and Delanco chs., N. J.
 Rev. W. H. Filson, Maysville ch., Pa.
 Rev. Robert White, St. Mary's Shiloh ch., Pa.
 Rev. J. H. Fleming, Robert Kennedy Memorial ch. Pa.

- ch., Pa. Rev. J. P. Hudson, Pennsdale and Linden chs., Pa.

- Rev. J. L. Swain, Allegany ch., Pa. Rev. Edward Bryan, Wannamie and Nanticoke cus, Pa.
- Rev. A. C. Smith, Plains ch., Pa. Rev. T. Thomas, Rushville and Stevensville

- Rev. T. Thomas, Rushville and Stovenstrike chs., Pa.
 Rev. C. K. Canfield, Bowman's Creek, Lehman, Kinkie, and Northumberland chs., Pa.
 Rev. W. K. Frane, Silver Lake ch., Pa.
 Rev. J. McMaster, Athens ch., Pa.
 Rev. R. B. Van Syckel, Gibson ch., Pa.
 Rev. Richard Walker, Lock Ridge ch., Pa.
 Rev. J. L. Jenkins, Shawnee ch., Pa.
 Rev. Wilnam Hutton, Philadelphia, Greenwich Sc. oh. Pa.
- St. ch., Pa. Rev. R. A. Brown, Smyrna ch., Del. Rev. E. B. Elcock, Bridgeville and Mispillion Rev. E. H. Elcock, Bridgeville and Mispillion c) s., Del. Rev. J. Thomas, Frostburg ch., Md. Rev. B. F. Myers, snow Hill ch., Md. Rev. D. J. Beale, Baltimore, Light St. ch.. Md. Rev. J. S. Pomeroy, North Branch ch., W. Va. Rev. W. C. Snuth, Allen Grove ch., W. Va. Rev. J. B. Graham, Three Springs ch., W. Va. Rev. J. Alex under, D : ., Moundsville ch., W. Va. Rev. J. Alex under, D : ., Moundsville ch., W. Va. Rev. J. H. Flanagan, Graiton ch., W. Va. Rev. W. O. Goodioe, Mt. Sterling ch., Ky. Rev. J. B. McDonald, Plum Creek ch., Ky.

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- Lick chs., Ky. Rev. J. P. McMilian. Burksville ch., Ky. Rev. R. Cleiland, Salem and Caney Fork chs.,

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 Rev. Milliam C. W.-st, Bantam, Monroe, and Mt. Carmel chs., Ohio.
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 Rev. Allow, Green Springs and Republic chs., Ohio.
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 Rev. J. K. Fowler, Shawano ch., Wis.
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- Rev. J. C Hutchings, Bellevue and Dayton chs., Wis.
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- Rev. E H. Sayre, Claremont and Ripley chs., Minn.
- Rev. J. M. Brack, Houston and Sheldon chs., Minn.

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- Rev. J. Agnew, Coltax and Prairie City chs., Iowa

- Rev. G Pierson, Adel and Waukee chs., Iowa. Rev. J. S. Dunning, J. fferson ch., Iowa. Rev. F. Schmidt, Mi, Pleasant Ger. ch., Iowa. Rev. W. G. Kephart, Atlanuc and Elk Horn chs., Iowa.
- Rev. J. W. Clark, Hamburg and Shenandoah chs., Iowa
- Rev. Robert Boag, Afton and Union City chs., Iowa.
- Rev J. Andrews, Steller's Grove ch. Iowa. Rev. C. R. Van Eman, St. Charles and Medora
- chs., Iowa. Rev. J. D. Mason, Missionary, Iowa.

- Rev. A. Porter, Solon ch., Iowa.
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- Mo. Rev. W. M Newton, Appleton City and Westfield

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COLORADO .-- Colorado -- Fairplay 23 35; Trinidad 5 25 28 60

COLUMBUS .- Wooster-Berlin 3: Dalton 47; Shi-

 Colombas. - moster - hering i Daton 11, Sin-Ioh 1; Wayne 26. Zanesvilte-Hanover 5 82 00 Ests. - Buller-Jefferson Centra 250. Erie-North-Fast 34. Kittannung-Bolung Spring 10; Glade Run 35; Marion and Rockbridge 45 84. Shenango-Neshannock, Ladies' Miss Socy 75; Northershop Sabesh 20 50. New Brighton Sab-sch 20 50 222 84

GENEVA.- Cayuga-Meridian 41: Wells College Miss Soc'y 40 Steuben-Cohocton 10 91 00

HARRISBURGH.- Carlisle-Petersburgh 5; Up (Sab sch 8 63) 48; 5t Clausville 11 02; Yellow Creek 7. Northumberland-Linden 15; Northumberland 20; Pennsdale 13 50. Wellsboro-Arnot 34 203 52

ILLINOIS. CENTRAL.-Bloomington-Hoopeston 3. Peoria-Brinifield 5. Springfield-Maroa 5 13 00

ILLINDIS, NORTH.—Chicago—Anstin 6; Chicago 2d 407 11; Chicago, Re-innon 10; Kankakee, French 9 50. Freeport_Freeport_d.add'1 5 50; Galena 1st 33 15; Winnebago 8. Rock River-481 26 Hamlet 4

ILLINOIS, SOUTH.-Alton-Carlinville 2; Plain-view 2 25; Virden 6 81. Cairo-Dubois 3; Odin 2. Mattoon-Casey 3; Greenup 1; New Hope 3 23 06

INDIANA, NORTH. - Crawfordsville - Frankfort 47 56

INDIANA. SOUTH.—New Albany— Madison 1-4, Sabach 26; Mitchell 37 50; Seymour 5. White Water—Shelbyville German 13 81 50 Iowa. Norrh.—Cedar Rapids—Anamosa 53 cts. Waterloo-Rock Creek 1 10 1 63 Iow. Source Creek 1 10 1 63

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Topeka-Hays City 25 55 65 KENTUCKY.-Louisville-Louisville, Walnut St

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(mon con col) 9 63; Brooklyn 1st, Henry St (Sab-sch 376 85) 526 85; Brooklyn 1st, Henry St (Sab-60 10; Brooklyn, Throop Avenue 26 60; Woman's H and F Miss Soc'y, special 700. N.ssau-As-1,357 55 toria 34 32

MICHIGAN .- Detroit-Detroit, Fort St 46 55; Detroit, Westminster 9 84; Northville 14; Rev J F McLaren, D D 50. Lansing-Lansing 1st 12 36 132 85

MINNESOTA.—Mankato— Blue Earth City 10; Lake Shetek 2 11; Lynd 2 59 15 00 Missouri.—Osage - Westfield 4 80. Ozark Ozark Prairie 9. Platte—Forest City 2. St. Louis—v; Lonis 1st 10; St Louis, Farmount 1 20; J 10, St Charles, Mo 12 34 129 64 New JERSET—Eizabeth—Elizabeth 3d 16 76; Elizabeth, Westmuster zabsch 10; Metuchen Elizabeth, Westmister sab sci 1'0; Metuchen Ist 590; Plockamin 4 57; Summit Central II 79; Westfield II 10. Jersey City-Englewood 145; Rutherford Park 2 35; Tenaffy 10 17. Mon-

 mouth-Hightstown 110. Morris and Orange-Morristown 1st 29 87. Neuark--Caldwell 88 50; Newark, Park 14. Neu Brunsuick-Stockton 6 50. Newton-Blairstown 26 73
 631.69 NEW YORK.-Hudson-Cochecton 62 cts; Da-mascus 64 cts; Hamptonburgh 14 87; Middle-town 1st 9 88: Middletown 2d 19 23: Washing-tonville 1st 9 40; West Town 6 95. New York-New York. Brick 3:0 22; New York. Scotch, from "D" 50. North River-Poughkeepsie 7 38. Westchester - New Rochelle 135; Poundridge Parsonage 13: Yonkers 1st, mon coll 14 44 Parsonage 13; Yonkers 1st, mon coll 11 44

618 66 PACIFIC .- Oregon-Portland. in part PACIFIC.-Oregon-Portland. in part 6:8 12 PHILADELPHIA.-Chester-Media 8 14. Lacka-wanna-Franklin 3 46; Northmoreland 5; To-wanda Sab sch 81 28. Lehigh-Lower Mt Bethel 5 83; Summit Hill (of winch Jsmestown Sab-sch 1 43, and Summit Hill Sab sch 2 24) 20. Philadelphia-P. Jiadelphia 9th 100. Philadelphia Central-Philadelphia, Cohocksink Sab sch 50; Philadelphia, North Broad St 170 71. Ihuadel-phia North - Potistown 73 76. Westimister-Uhestnut Level 41 13; Middle Octorara 16 578 31 6:8 12

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TOLEDO.-Bellefontaine-Bucyrus 11 86: Forest 4. Huron-Green Springs 1 11; Republic 7. Maumee-Hicksville 2 46; Union 1 48; Key J E Vance and family 2

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 WESTLEN NEW YORK - Buffalo-Buffalo Central 49 34; Buffalo, Westminster 49 97. Genesce-Tonawanda Valley 21 30. Genesce Valley-Alle-gany 12; Franklioville 5. Niagara-Holley 28; Porter 1st 30. Rochester-Linnal 6 94: Rochester Central 66 36; Sparta 1st (of which Young Lades 20) 30 20) 30 3(8 91

WISCONSIN. — Chippewa — Eau Claire 1st 10; Prescott 1st 3. Milwankee—10-Infield 1 28; Lima 10; Ottawa 2 47. Wisconsin River—Montello 5 31 75

Total received from churches, \$7,170 04

LEGACIES .- Legacy of Miss S Anderson, dec'd late of Ashland, Ohno 2 &: Legacy of Bersey H Mead, dec'd, late of Bedford ch, Westchester Pby 266 92; Legacy of Guy Richards, dec'd, late of New York City. (add') 400: Legacy of Prudence Sloan, dec'd, late of Harrison connty, Ohno 23 18. 692 60 Ohio 23 18

MISCELLAYEOUS.-J H Colt, Esq. Atwater, Olio 5; "Friends." N H 300; Spring Valley Sabisch, N J 12 35; Mrs "R K D," Philadelphia, Pa 5; S L Bradley, E-q Auburn, N Y 20; Miss "H M 0," St Paul, Minn 5; Mrs Nancy Dey, Seneca Falls, N Y 100; Mrs M L Millar, Malone, N Y 5

452 35

Total in June, \$8,314 99

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BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he would send forth laborers into his harvest.—Luke x. 2.

THE TREASURY.

The Board, by borrowing, paid in full every student who was reported before he left the college or seminary. The funds received have been sufficient to clear off these recent loans.

We have not yet been able to touch former loans to the amount of \$9,500.

It will need generous contributions from the churches to pay these, and put us in a position to meet promptly the approaching demands of the fall.

A SKETCH OF THE PRESBYTERIANISM OF HUNGARY.

It will be pleasant for our readers, at this summer season, when many are flitting in search of refreshment, and the thoughts of all are going forth in quest of relief from the ordinary, and perhaps exhausting, routine of cares, to take a glance at some of our brethren in other lands, and especially at their efforts in behalf of the education of their children and their students for the ministry.

Hungary, so named by us from the Huns, but styled by its dominant race "the land of the Magyars," is to us Presbyterians in America one of the most interesting countries of Europe.

Two millions of Reformed, or Presbyterian, Calvinists, and one million of Lutheran Calvinists, control the nation. The church organization of those first named is the most completely Presbyterian of any in Europe, except that of the Scotch. It is thoroughly democratic and representative; so much so indeed, that the church session, the presbytery, or the general assembly, each elects two joint moderators to preside over its meetings—one a minister, the other an elder, or, as they style him, a "curator." The only marked peculiarity is the office of superintendent; a sort of general evangelist, or semi-bishop.

WALDENSIAN ORIGIN.

The origin of the Church is Waldensian, together with that of Bohemia and Moravia. Peter Waldo himself, whose name has been attached to that primitive Christian Church since the twelfth century, after translating the Scriptures into the French, and being driven by Roman Catholic persecution from Lyons, took refuge in the neighboring Bohemian mountains, and so fervently proclaimed the gospel of Christ, and sent abroad so many missionaries through all those regions, that within little more than a century afterwards there were eighty thousand believers in Hungary alone, besides a great many in Bohemia and Moravia.

The sprightly and energetic Magyar race had been converted from heathenism in the tenth century through the influence of their king, Gejza, who was won over by a Christian wife, succeeded by that of his son, Stephen I. The people welcomed the gospel when preached to them by the Waldenses. They were so zealous for education and improvement, that the Latin, the great depository of learning in the middle ages, strange to say, became a popular tongue, and partially dispossessed the native Magyar. Hence in Hungary alone, among all European countries, the traveller hears pure Latin spoken to-day as a living and common language.

PERSECUTIONS-APPEALS TO AMERICA AND ENGLAND.

But, like the Waldenses, the Magyars have been subject to frequent and most dreadful persecutions by Romanism. No government has more slavishly and remorselessly done the bidding of the Pope and his priests than the Austrian. In several ways they have vigorously labored to crush the Magyar Protestantism; by confiscating bibles, destroying printing presses, preventing foreign sympathy and aid, silencing faithful pastors, closing the Protestant schools and planting those of Romanism in their places, and refusing the young men permission to study at foreign universities. Some of the most learned, evangelical, and devoted of the Hungarian ministry have, even in our generation, been banished to foreign lands, or died in prison.

But though tried with fire, Hungary has ever been one of the great centres of the principles of freedom upon the continent of Europe. In 1848, its people instantly took advantage of the general political convulsions which had originated in France, and in the very next month, under the lead of Louis Kossuth, demanded and obtained a popular constitution, and great concessions as to the liberty of the press and other rights. A struggle ensued, however, at the close of which Kossuth, when apparently defeated, visited and appealed for help to Protestant America and Great Britain. His eloquent appeals, when among us in 1852, many of us heard and remember. The Hungarian National Assembly, on April 14, 1849, at a meeting which was held in a Protestant church, had made a Declaration of Independence. "Forget not," cried Kossuth, to Protestant America and England, "those who are oppressed. Remember there is a community in the destiny of humanity. Be thankful for the freedom you enjoy; and lend your brethren a helping hand for the future." May we not forget his earnest words!

TRIUMPH AND PROSPERITY.

The Magyars patiently and bravely continued, against tremendous priestly and despotic exertions to destroy them, to resist, until at length they were rewarded with success. In 1867 the Austrians granted Hungary practical independence; that is, the chief provisions of the constitution of 1848; though the kingdom must remain confederate with the Austrian empire.

Now that beautiful country, so rich in agricultural and mineral wealth, resembling our own Western states, is leaping forward in the path of improvement with surprising energy. It has nearly four thousand miles of railroad completed or in progress, and more than six thousand miles of telegraph. Its press is free, and any political offences committed by it can only be tried by jury. Education is granted to every child, however poor. The pulpit is free to preach the gospel of Christ again. Vienna is regarded by many in Europe and elsewhere as the city of the past, Pesth as the great Austrian city of the future.

MUTUAL SYMPATHY WITH AMERICA.

The Hungarian Presbyterians feel the deepest interest in their brethren of the same faith in America. Two pastors, Von Kaspar and Tardy, though almost unnoticed amidst the greater excitements of the time, were present as representatives of the churches of Bohemia and Hungary, at the two General Assemblies at New York, in 1869, which adopted the final measures for the reunion of the Presbyterians of our land; and we promised them our prayers, our help as brethren, and, when we could, an occasional delegate to their General Assembly.

The Congregational Church of the United States has recently begun to include the Roman Catholic countries of Europe in its foreign mission work. The American Board has planted an important mission at Prague, in Bohemia, a city forever memorable as that in which the martyrs John Huss and his colleague Jerome, a hundred years before Luther, preached, and in the great university of which both of them taught as professors.

SCHOOLS AND GENERAL EDUCATION.

The schools for the education of their children, and for the supply of their ministry and professional men, have ever been peculiarly dear to the Hungarian Protestants. It may be noticed here, as in harmony with this fact, that women are treated with more respect and consideration in Hungary than in most other parts of Europe; they are rarely seen laboring in the severe work of the fields, as they are in Austria and other neighboring countries. The schools especially have been the object of the most cruel, unjust, and oppressive efforts to crush and exterminate them on the part of the Austrian government and the Roman Catholic priesthood. But the Lord has wrought a wondrous change since the accession of the present emperor, Francis Joseph, to the throne, in 1848, and the humiliation of Austria by the German-Italian war of 1866.

GENEROUS PROVISIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR THE MINISTRY AND OTHER DESERVING STUDENTS.

With a noble sympathy for the education of their students for the ministry and other promising young men, the Calvinistic Church of Hungary and its friends have made large contributions for their aid at foreign universities. There are funds from which, at Geneva, two students receive upon their arrival each a good complete suit of clothes, 180 florins (\$90) a year during their stay, and 5 louis d'or (\$25) when they leave. At Berne four students receive each at first 94 florins for clothing and books, 144 florins a year, and 30 when they leave. At Zurich three can have 102 florins a year and 30 when they depart; and at Basle two can have free board and lodging. Besides these funds at Swiss universities, there are others at ten universities and academical institutions in Germany and Holland. And there are considerable funds at Cambridge and Oxford in England for the benefit of Hungarian Calvinistic students.

The Lutherans of Hungary have also made liberal provision abroad for their students. They possess funds at Wittenburg, Halle, Gottingen, Leipsic, and six other institutions, most of them in Germany. They have several funds which may be employed at any foreign university. The emperor Leopold II. gave them 1000 ducats (\$2200) for the support of two clergymen's sons, one to study at Wittenburg, the other at Leipsic.

THE LESSONS OF HUNGARIAN PRESBYTERIANISM.

The history of these Presbyterians of Hungary-these long-suffering but unconquerable disciples of Waldo, Huss, Jerome, Zwingle, and Calvin-is full of important suggestions to us their brethren in the New World.

The Pope said in June last, when presented with a copy of an address of condolence from some German Catholics in this country to Lodochowski, archbishop of the Duchy of Posen, amidst his conflicts with the Prussian government: "The United States is the only country where I am really pope in the eyes of the government." We must indeed be the gullible fools, ignorant of history and ignorant of Romanism in other lands, for which Pius IX. takes us, if we permit him to be, or if we suffer our politicians to make him, "pope" in this country alone—to plant his standard here after his minions have been driven in loathing from every other country of the civilized world; or to banish our bibles, destroy our schools, corrupt our institutions, and extinguish our faith and our liberties, by sword and fire and dungeons, as he for centuries labored to do in Hungary, as in Austria, Spain, and Italy.

". How vitally important to cherish, defend against all their enemies, and inspire with the best influences, our popular schools! They are the chief earthly stay of those "principles of liberty which," as Kossuth earnestly reminded our people, "are the strength, the glory, and the happiness of the nation."

Our young men, the intelligent, the enterprising, the religious part of them, if wise, will recognize the bonds of brotherhood which strongly bind us to many in other lands—to nations and religious communities which deserve our sympathies, our prayers, our benefactions, possibly our lives and our labors. Two millions of Presbyterians, freed from crushing political and religious disabilities, and taking the lead in the regeneration of the Austrian empire, have certainly strong claims upon us. Much formalism and deadness, and some error, exists among them. They need the influences of a faithful preaching of Christ and of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. If thoroughly refreshed from on high, what a power the two Calvinistic Churches, nearly as numerous as our own in America, would be in the heart of Europe, and to the surrounding nations and continents! Those disciples of the Waldenses, those children of Huss, those followers of Cal-

vin, should teach us the preciousness of our ministry of the gospel, and of our candidates for the ministry; and should deeply arouse us by the example of benefactions so large and wisely bestowed, amidst their deep poverty and terrible persecutions, to exercise much greater liberality towards our students, who are, in so many respects, the hope of the Church, and the only means of salvation to millions in the world.

RECEIPTS IN JUNE 1874.

Synods in SMALL CAPITALS-Presbyteries in italics-Churches in Roman.

ALBANY .- Albany-Albany 1st 35. Champlain-Fort Covington 28. Columbia-Jewett 21 47 84 47

ATLANTIC .- East Florida-St. Augustine 1st

35 15

BALTIMORE. - Washington City - Washington Metropolitan 32 96

CENTRAL NEW YORK-Binghamton-Bingham-ton North 1 35. Olsego-Franklin 1 49. St. Lawrence-Oswegatchie 2d 10 4). Syracuse-Constantia 4 78; Syracuse, 1st Ward 92 cts 18 94

CINCINNATI.-Chillicothe-Mt Pleasant 6 00 CLEVELAND.-C"eveland-Cleveland 1st 42. St Claursville-Portland 1 54; Scotch Ridge 1 40, Steubenville-Bethel 11 33; Two Ridges 31 10 87 42

COLUMBUS.—Athens—Watertown 5 30. Wooster —Berlin 1; Jackson 7 66; Ontario 3 05; Orrville 2; Wooster 22. Zanesville—Hanover 2; Jeffer-Wooster 45 21 son 2 20

son 2 20 ERIE.—C'arion—Perry 5. Erie—Georgetown 16; Harmonburg 11 75. Kittanning — Homer 5 25; Marion 10 08; Kayne 11 50. Shenango— Clarksville 25 38; New Brighton 29 50; West-field 26 13

GENEVA.-Geneva-Romulus 23 02; Trumans-burgh 24 15; Victor 19 40. Lyons-Wolcott 1st 83 82 17 25

HARRISBURGH — Hantingdon — Bethel 4 65; Lower Tuscarora 32 90; Peru 4 17. Northumber-land-Jersey Shore 75 76; Northumberland 19. Wellsboro-Beener Island 5; Farmington 2 50 143 98

ILLINOIS, CENTRAL - Peoria-Eureka 14 15

ILLINOIS, NORTH.—Freeport—Freeport 2d 9 52; Galena 1st 9 41. Ottawa—Aurora 7 25. Rock River—Hamlet 1; North Henderson 20 47 18

ILLINOIS, SOUTH.-Alton-Carlinville 6; Plain-view 85 cts; Virden 2 03. Mattoon-Prairie 15 23 Home 6 35

INDIANA. NORTH .- Crawfordsville-Lafayette 2d 38 15. Fort Wayne-Bluffton 11. Logansport-57 15 Goodland 8

INDIANA, SOUTH.—Indianapolis—Columbus 7 20; Shiloh 1 70. New Albany—Bethel 4 10. Vin-cennes—Petersburgh 4 17 00

IOWA, NORTH .- Cedar Rapids .- Anamosa 15 cts ; Farmer's Creek 2; Mechanicsville 7. Water. loo-Rock Creek 32 cts 9 47

IOWA, SOUTH. Des Moines-Osceola 8. Iowa--Oakland 4 75; Shunam 3. Iowa City-Walcott 20 85 5 10

KENTUCEY. Louisville--Louisville, Walnut St 1 50

LONG ISLAND .- Brooklyn-Edgewater 1st 71 47

MICHIGAN. -- Detroit-Detroit, Fort St 13 90; Detroit, Westminister 2 93. Lansing-Lansing 18t 3 51. Monroe-Hillsdale 14 24 34 58

MINNESOTA.-Mankato--Le Sueur 6 42. St Paul Rev J G Riheldaffer 25. Winona-La Crescent 35 92 4 50

MISSOURI.—Palmyra — West Ely 7. Platte--King City 50 cts; O.egon 6; Union 2 50. St. Louis—St Louis 1st 10 26 00

New JERSEY. - Elizabeth - Basking Ridge 33; Elizabeth 3d 4 76; Metuchen 1st 1 76; Plucka-min 1 30; Summit entral 3 29; Westfield 3 49, Jersey Citu-Tenalty 2 95. Menmouth-Allen-town 30; Bricksburgh 4 05; Cranberry 2d 7 34; Cream Ridge 10; Hightsbown 67; Mattawan 20 26. Morris and Orange-Lower Valley 6; Morristown 1st 8 34; Orange 2d 90 13. Newark - Lyoo's Farms 27 80; Newark, Park 3 97. New Brunswick-Annwell 1st 6 50; Stockton 2 50. Newton-Blarstown 4 76 Newton-Blairstown 4 76 328 80

NEW YORK.-Hudson-Cochecton 18 ets; Da-mascus 18 ets; Hamptonburgh 4 13; Middletown 1st 2 8; Middletown 2d 5 46; Washington ville 1st 2 80; West Town 1 18. New York-New York Brick 89 25. Westchester--New Rochelle 56; Poundridge 10 171 98

PRILADELPHIA.— Chester—Media 3 27. Lacka-wanna—Franklin 98 cts; Mrs M E Thomas 5; Rushville 2; Stevensville 2. Lehigh—Lower Mt Bethel 1 65; Middle Smithfield 6; Shenandowh 3; South Bethlehem 5 Piiladephaa Central— Didadhaki North Broad St 63 29. Philadepha Pniladelphia, North Broad St 63 29. Philadel-phia North-Doylestown and Deep Run 17 31; Philadel-Falls of Schuylkill 22. Westminster - Middle Octorara 15 151 50

PITTSBURGH.—Blairsville—Johnstown 10; New Alexandria 4 29. Pittsburgh — Pittsburgh 2d 19 53; Pittsburgh, Shady Side 14 16. Redstone— McKeesport 1st 50. Washington—Wheeling 4th 14 cts. West Virginia—Glenville 2; Lumber-port 1: Suiton 2 port 1; Sutton 2 103 12

TOLEDO.-Bellefontaine-Buck Creek 13; Bucy-18 2 77. Huron-Green Springs 33 cts. Maurus 2 77. mee-Hicksville 42 cts; Union 70 cts 17 22

WESTERN NEW YORE. - Buffalo-Buffalo. Central 14; Buffalo, Westminster 14 18. Genesee-North Bergen 8. Genesee Valley - Almond 4 15; Elli-cottville 3: Portville 5. Rochester - Lima 4 94; Rochester, Central 18 83; Sparia 1st 6 78 10 Wisconsin -- Lake Superior -- Sault Ste Marie 4.

Milwankee - Delafield 37 cts; Ottawa 69 cts. Wisconsin River - Fancy Creek 2 05; Richland City 1 20 8 31

> Total, \$1,888 07

LEGACIES.

Betsy H. Mead, Mt Pleasant, N. Y., 266 92; Prudence Sloan, Harrison Co, O., 6 46-273 38 Interest on John Mean's Legacy 408; interest on Geo W Raukin's Legacy 306; interest on Robt F Clark's Legacy 60; interest on Judah Colt's Legacy 34 50; interest on J A Jacobs' Legacy 33 835 50

REFUNDED.

"G F F" 54; "H S B" 10; "W R L" 60 124 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

J S Brown, Iroquois, 111, 2; From a Friend 2; 7 50 J H N, St Charles, Mo, 3 50

> 3,128 45 Total Receipts in June,

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Reports and correspondence relating to the general business of the Board, address to WIL-LIAM SPREE, D.D., Corresponding Secretary.

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

NOTICES OF MISSIONARIES — The Rev. W. W. Eddy and his family, of the Syria Mission, have arrived in this country, on a visit partly for the sake of health, and partly to make arrangements for the education of their children. The Rev. D. McGilvary and his family have started on their return to the Laos'Mission, and Marion Cheek, M.D., of Mebaneville, N. C., appointed as a Medical missionary in connection with the same mission. Miss Susie M. Grimsted, of the church of Metuchen, N. J., and Miss Mary Cort, of the church of Denver, Col., under appointment to the mission in Siam, expect to sail at the same time from San Francisco. Mr. and Mrs. McGilvary leave their two oldest children at school in this country. The Rev. E. W. Blyden has embarked on his return to Liberia, with health benefited by his short visit.

ADDED TO THE CHURCH.—At Beirut, four young girls were received as communicants; at Rio de Janeiro, one new communicant was received; in Mexico, a church was organized, and sixty-three members were admitted, of all ages, but mostly in the prime of life; in Zacatecas, in the last two months, sixty persons were received as communicants after baptism, and fourteen by letters of dismission from other churches, besides three accepted by the church session for the next communion. Eighteen children were baptized.

ORDINATION SERVICES of much interest were held at Futtebgurh, India, on the 23d of April, when Mohun Lál was ordained by the Presbytery of Furrukhabad, and installed as pastor of the church.

RELIGIOUS INTEREST, in an encouraging degree, is reported among the youth in the schools of our missionaries in Yokohama, and it is hoped that a number of these scholars will soon make a profession of their faith in Christ.

AMONG THE INDIANS .- Mr. Ramsey speaks of a recent visit to a neighborhood of Creeks, who welcomed his preaching services. He was informed that about 3000 of the Indians in this region are much in need of missionary labor, and he made an appointment to preach in this neighborhood again, and also to preach to the Potawatomies in the same vicinity. Mr. Truax reports a good degree of progress in the Navajo school under a teacher and a matron appointed by the Government, and also the improving condition of the Indians under their present Agent. He adds, "A large number of children and youth could be kept in constant attendance upon the school, if they were supported." For this support, expectation is properly directed to the Government, which stands to education among the Indians as does the State to the Common School system in most of our States. Dr. Williamson mentions that his son, the Rev. John P. Williamson, had started on his journey to the proposed new station among the Dakotas, near the junction of Milk River with the Missouri. He is making the journey there by land, so as to visit and preach in the Indian settlements, but he expects to return by boat down the Missouri. This is a journey of much interest, and perhaps of some danger; but we trust Mr. Williamson will be kept in safety, and his visit lead to important results.

RECEIPTS IN MAY AND JUNE.—From churches, \$18,019; from individual donors, \$1,269; from legacies, \$6,750—in all, \$26,039. Last year the receipts in May and June were \$33.480. From the churches and individual donors, this year, \$19,288; last year, \$29,746. LETTERS RECEIVED TO JULY 14TH.—From the Chippewa Mission, June 30th; Omaha, June 15th; Dakota, July 4th; Seminole, June 29th; Navajo, June 11th; Nez Perces, June 25th; Yokohama, June 5th; Yedo, May 20th; Peking, May 1st; Tungchow, April 22d; Ningpo, May 9th; Shanghai, May 11th; Hangchow, May 4th; Canton, May 25th; Bangkok, April 16th; Allahabad, May 23d; Mynpurie, May 21st; Futtehgurh, May 8th; Ambala, May 8th; Sabathu, June 1st; Tabriz, May 25th; Ispahan, April 30th; Beirut, June 4th; Gaboon, April 28th; Rio de Janeiro, May 22d; Sao Paulo, May 19th; Rio Claro, May 15th; Bahia, May 29th; Bogota, May 16th; Mexico, June 20th; Zacatecas, June 10th.

"THE ESPECIAL FRIENDS OF FOREIGN MISSIONS" AND HOME MISSIONS.

The reference in the last *Record* was not to these friends generally; neither must it be understood as implying any want of interest on their part towards the cause of Home Missions. So we are assured, and are glad to believe; and we state this in reply to some inquiries.

We suppose the reference in question was a sequel to a little discussion that took place in the closing hours of the last General Assembly, on the Budget or Schedule of sums to be apportioned to the several Boards. This Budget is a somewhat new thing, and one which needs to be studied, if it is to be continued as a permanent part of our Church plans. We do not intend here to express an opinion on the subject, but we can readily understand how brethren, members of the Assembly called to vote, might easily reach differing judgments concerning it; and this, without any want of hearty interest in the prosperity of all the parts of our missionary work as a Church. At any rate, we are glad to believe that "the especial friends of foreign missions" are also the friends and supporters of all our Boards. We do not know any exception to this remark.

"THESE FROM THE LAND OF SINIM."

We suppose the Chinese who have come to our country may be regarded as from this land. We hope, and doubt not, that they and their people at home will one day come unto Christ as their Saviour. We look on the church of forty seven Chinese communicants in San Francisco, thirty of whom were received last year, as first fruits of the harvest. The schools also in San Francisco, Sacramento, and San José, containing over one hundred and fifty scholars, (see report in another column of one of these schools); the preaching services of the missionaries, Dr. Loomis and Mr. Condit, and their native assistants; their manifold labors in the Chinese part of the city, among the coming and departing emigrants, and in the interior; all these are important means of bringing this people to the Redeemer. This missionary work was begun when the Chinese first came to this country. It has been continued ever since. It has made its mark for good on many thousands of these emigrants, and its influence has been deeply felt in China itself, as from the first it was foreseen would be the case.

We are grateful that so many pastors of our own and other churches on the Pacific coast are now warmly interested in these Chinese. Commonly this interest takes the form of teaching them in Sabbath-schools. Their desire to learn our language brings many of them to these schools. As the teachers do not speak Chinese, however, and as the -cholars cannot yet speak English, no large amount of Christian truth can, for a time, be imparted in this way; but the Christian sympathy thus shown to these strangers within our gates, will bear blessed fruit; and in many ways these labors, as also the Christian example and kindness of families in which Chinamen are employed as servants, will yield the happiest results. We heartily bid God-speed to all such efforts as these. Still we must rely chiefly on *the thorough work* of those who can speak the language of this people, and who give themselves wholly to their evangelization. Our humble Mission House, corner of Sacramento and Stockton streets, San Francisco, is at once home, school, church, and theological institute, in its influences for good to many. We commend our brethren and the elect ladies of the mission to the prayers of our churches. They are doing a great work—we believe a truly great work for our own country, and still more for China. We wish they could have a larger and better arranged building for their varied work; and this they must have before long.

We add a few words about the probable extent of Chinese emigration to this country. The census of 1870 gave 63,199 as the number of Chinese in all our States and Territories-of whom 58,680 were males and 4,574 were females. Of the whole number 55,759 were living in California, Oregon and Nevada ;---in California, 49,277. In 1860 the census gave 34,933 as the whole Chinese population -an increase in ten years of 28,266. It is easy to indulge in glowing language about the vast incoming multitudes from overpeopled China, who are soon to fill up all our unoccupied acres, and deluge our land with idolatry; but see a few sober truths. 1. The Chinese immigration is not in most cases self-moved, like the Irish and German; it is, to a large extent, the result of speculation by Chinese capitalists associated in "Companies." It does not rest on a sound and permanent basis. 2. The Chinese do not come with their families-see returns of the census above as to the small number of females. They are eminently a family people, but in this country there are few persons with whom they could intermarry. 3. They do not come to stay; every one of them expects to go back to his native country, and nearly all of them do go back,-living or dead; the "Companies" engage to send back for burial the bodies of those who die here. Hence the small number now in this country, out of the hundreds of thousands who have come here since 1852. 4. So long as they are heathens, they will go back to China under the force of ancestral superstitions, especially as connected with death and burial. When they become Christians, we may welcome them more warmly than we do now, though they will not then need our help.

Such reasons as these are conclusive against the theory of an immense immigration, permanently overflowing the land. But thousands will come, to be brought in contact with our Christianity or our Ir-religion, and they will carry back to their homes impressions deeply important to themselves and their people. If our churches are faithful, these impressions will be of great power in the conversion of the myriads of China. It is not endowment of professorships in Chinese that we want; nor is it chiefly American missionaries; but it is native teachers, colporteurs, and preachers, well trained, well superintended. And for these we look mainly to such missionaries as our Church is supporting in San Francisco. By the blessing of God, in answer to the prayers of his people, these labors of our brethren will accomplish the greatest good for "the Chinese in California" and also for the Chinese in China.

MISSIONARY EXPERIENCE.

"August 27, 1823. Yesterday morning I felt much cast down. I did not get relief, and after breakfast went to God. My mind was turned from myself to the heathen, by reading a hymn concerning the coming of Christ's kingdom to all nations; and during prayer I seemed to feel a new desire, or rather to ask with

new earnestness for the abundant outpouring of the Spirit at this station, so that every heart should feel, and every one coming to the house should say, 'How awful is this place !' . . .

"September 7. I have to-day been with Jesus in his last interviews with his disciples, his agony in the garden and on the cross, and his appearing again after his resurrection ;- scenes which never before appeared so full of everything encouraging, strengthening and comforting. What display of love, of tenderness, of glorious majesty! In view of all this, I feel that even for me there is a way of access to God in behalf of this poor people. . . Lord take away my sloth, my unbelief, my hardness of heart, my distrust of thee; and grant me humility, activity, tenderness of heart, and strong faith. Can I not say, Lord, thou knowest that I desire above everything to be like my Redeemer, to have his spirit, to be filled with his fulness, that I may glorify thee among this people!"-Mrs. Harriet L. Winslow.

EXTRACTS FROM THE REPORT OF THE KOLAPOOR MISSION, INDIA.

(Concluded from page 211.)

RATNAGIRI STATION.

It is a great privilege to be permitted to preach Christ to sinful men, and especially to the heathen. I therefore ask my personal friends, and the friends of Missions, to join me in a hearty thanksgiving to God, that after an absence of seven years and a half, He has enabled me to resume my work in this land. I now see a Father's hand in past bereavements and an illness that brought me, more than once, to the very gate of death. He was disciplining and preparing me better for this work, by giving precious experiences of the cheering, sustaining power of the religion of Christ. I reached Kolapoor the 3d of December, 1872, visited Ratnagiri, with Mr. Seiler, the same month, and removed hither early in January.

Preaching.--Fortunately the house we have rented has a room that we can use for a chapel, and here we have had services on Sabbath morning, with audiences usually very attentive, varying from 10 to 60. We have also a daily service that gives promise of much good. On Sabbath afternoon we have sometimes gone to the jail, where we have had from thirty to eighty hearers; some-times to the Bazaar in town, where we had still larger audiences, etc. . . . At many of the above mentioned gatherings, the Holy Spirit has very evidently been present to impress the word spoken. We have been blest in waiting on God.

Itinerancy.-Besides visiting repeat-edly all parts of the town and villages near Ratnagiri, I have been north to Dapoli, sixty miles, and south to Vin-

gorla, eighty miles, and have visited many intervening places. Compara-tively few of the 1,036,000 in this Collectorate have yet heard of the Bible and the Saviour. . . . It has been a diligent inquiry with me-how I can most effectually reach the hearts of my hearers, and I am convinced that all men, and especially the illiterate, need in the outset to know what the Christian religion does, as well as what it is. "Ye are my witnesses," says God to His people, and He would have us testify how this religion *rebinds* poor, wandering, sinful man, to his Maker. Whole audiences have listened with deep interest to the truth that God can pardon all their sins through Christ; can take away all fear of death, and give them the assurance that they are the heirs of heaven. And when I tell them that He has done all this for me, and is ready at this moment to do the same for them, some of them have manifested a joy like that of a condemned criminal on hearing his pardon. I think I have seen evidence of the work of the Spirit in the hearts of some of my audiences in the past year. After a morning meeting, a young man stayed to converse upon the subject of the sermon, and remained long after the usual time for his meal, and when apprised of the hour, he replied, "I was so interested in the talk that I had no appetite at all." Are we not under the dispensation of the Spirit, and ought we not to have the utmost confidence in His power?

Tracts, Books, and Scriptures .- The circulation in 1873, has been :- Tracts and books, 9,800 pages; Scriptures, and portions, 78,149 pages. No doubt this report will meet the eye of some one who are asking where

the Master would have have them go

and work? To such let me say, that laborers are greatly needed in the Concan. Multitudes among its two and a half millions, are in deep moral darkness, waiting for the light of the Gospel; and it is our fervent prayer that God may incline many to come and bring this light to them.—W. P. Barker.

ORDINATION OF A HINDOO PAS-TOR.

The Rev. Thomas Tracy, of Futtehgurh, gives us the following paper, under date of May 8th. It will be read with interest, for several reasons.

Our Mission Station has recently been the scene of an incident in the history of our native church, so interesting and so full of promise for good, that I take great pleasure in informing you of it.

You are well aware how difficult a thing it has been in our Mission in India, to induce the members of our churches to take measures for securing for themselves pastors. And this has not only been found difficult in our mission field, but almost every Missionary Society in India has had occasion to feel sorrow and deep concern at the indifference so generally manifested upon this subject by the members of their churches.

One great difficulty is found in the poverty of those who most frequently compose the churches. Our little flocks are gathered from among the poor of this world. They are at first dependent either upon the treasury of the Mission, or upon the charity of friends whom God raises up to provide for his needy ones. They are utterly cast off by those who formerly supported them. . . . Many of our churches are too poor to support a pastor. The diffi-culty does not end however, when the people become able to provide for a pastor. The questions t'en presen themselves as to what amount each member ought to give, and relatively how much help ought to be rendered by the Mission before a pastor can be placed over a congregation. When we remember how much grace is required to make us appreciate the blessing of being able to offer this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to the Lord, we need not be surprised to find that the members of our Indian Church are not far in advance of those of England and America.

One step more must be taken before we seem to be beyond the obstacles which crowd our path, and before we, as a court of the Lord Jesus, can take the important step of ordaining men for this important and responsible office. Upon whom shall we lay hands? The question is not, who is the choice of the Missionaries or of the Presbytery, but who is the one chosen by the Church....

It is a matter of great rejoicing then, when the way seems open, and when the man, upon whom the choice of the church rests, is the most desirable person that can be found. The *Minutes* of the General Assembly for 1873 contained an error, in that it reported Mohun Lál as pastor of the Furrukhabad city church. This, however, I am glad to tell you is now a fact.

On April 23d a large company of Christians, and many persons from among the lieathen who had been associated with Mohun Lal in the police service of the government before he became a Christian, came together in the large school-room of our city highschool, which is now used also as a church, to witness the solemn and instructive services of the ordination and installation of a pastor. Rev. Dr. Brodhead, being in Futtehgurh at the time, was invited to take part in the services. He preached the ordination sermon from 2 Cor. iv. 5, "For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord." The Moderator, Rev. J. J. Lucas, read the constitutional questions to the candidate, and made the ordination prayer. The Rev. George A. Seeley affectionately and earnestly pointed out to the pastor the greatness and responsibility of the work to which he had been called. The Rev. Thomas Tracy then briefly set before the church the importance of honoring, loving, and helping their pastor by prayer, in order that the relation constituted might prove a blessing to all; and the deeply interesting exercises were brought to a close by a few earnest words from the pastor.

I need not tell you that this was a very happy day to us who had witnessed all the difficulties, and had sometimes apprehended that many more years would pass before we could rejoice in the blessings which make our hearts glad to-day.

Mohun Lál is a man worthy of great honor, and we have every reason to believe that the Lord has directed the church in his choice. He is very earnest and zealous in preaching the gospel, and never fails. I believe, in interesting his hearers. His early history, conversion, and gradual preparation for the work of the ministry have all been marked by the Holy Spirit's operation, and show clearly that he is one of the Lord's chosen ones. Much has been written about him in former years, so that nothing further need be added here.

May the Lord Jesus raise up many more faithful and devoted men like this dear brother, to carry on our work when we are called away !

CHINESE MISSION SCHOOL IN SAN FRANCISCO.

We have been waiting too long for room to give extracts from Mrs. Sarah B. Cooper's report of the Twenty-first Anniversary of this School, which was inserted in *The Occident* in February. Few of our readers have seen this interesting report, and we regret that our limited space does not allow, it to be reprinted in full.

Rev. Mr. Platt, rector of Grace church, in the closing address, best expressed what we should here wish to say, in regard to the performance of the pupils, the dignity of the work, the grandeur of opportunity, the wonderful proficiency displayed, and the splendid possibilities enfolded within the oncoming future, if but Christian zeal and heroic labor offer opportunity for proper development. Mr. Platt spoke with the enthusiastic fervor of one to whom such exhibitions were novel, and his words were aflame with appreciative ardor, and electric with sympathetic emotion, ... a soul-stirring speech.

The First Church, where the exercises were held, had been neatly trimmed for the occasion, and notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, it was well filled with an appreciative and enthusiastic audience. Rev. Mr. Gibson opened the exercises with prayer. Singing by the school followed; when Lum Lung gave the opening address. His plea for his own race was well put, and there was genuine pathos in the closing utterance: "Treat us kindly, love us and help us, and we will do our best to show ourselves worthy of your kindness." [Brief notices are next given of speeches delivered by eight of the scholars. Just at this point a dialogue by the pupils of Mrs. Cole's school gave

much satisfaction. The boys had been well trained, and the piece was well written. Lee Gim recited, "O send forth the Bible, more precious than gold !" Yee Ting followed with "Give us light amid our darkness." Wong Shiu gave, "I love to hear the story," with good effect. The quartette singing of Fung Doon, Lum Long, Lu Ilow, and Loi Mong was creditable-time, expression, and harmony were good. A dialogue between Lu How and Sz Kwai brought out some interesting points in regard to the English and Chinese languages. The recitation of "The old, old story," by Lau King, Lee Ark, Loi Mong and Gaw Moy, followed by the singing of the same by the school, gave , pleasant variety, and the zest with which the chorus of voices joined in the refrain, betokened genuine appreciation and feeling.

But the feature of the entertainment most remarkable and best calculated to exhibit the intellectual grasp and keen appetency for knowledge, of the Chinese, was the examination of the classes in Spelling, Arithmetic, Grammar, Geography, History and Astronomy. The questions, which were varied and general in their scope, embracing a fair range in all the different branches named, were promptly and correctly answered, not a single mistake occurring during the entire examinations. This is but an exemplification of the rigid painstaking and persistent fidelity of the Mongolian race, to whatever they They set themselves to accomplish. are indefatigable and untiring. And when it is remembered that all these pupils are busily employed during the day, and many of them a part of every evening, the improvement is most remarkable. They bend to their tasks with earnest application and spare no pains to improve. When we note all this, we are astonished at ourselves, that we show no greater zeal in this great work of evangelization which God has placed at our very doors. As Mr. Platt so justly remarked, we have much to learn from this patient, painstaking people; and this wondrous juxtaposition of the two great races has a double mission involved in it. We are not dealing with a dull, besotted, stupid people, but with a keen, energetic, intellectual race; and whatever differences of opinion may exist in regard to the social or civil aspects of the questions involved in this commingling of the nations, there can be but one opinion in

reference to the industrial and educational tendencies of the Mongolian mind.

[Further notices are then given of recitals and dialogues by the scholars; afterwards—]

The Annual Report, read by Rev. I. M. Condit, showed the school to be in a more prosperous condition than ever before, the average attendance for the past year being 90. Several of the best pupils had left for China, but were expected to return. Fong Noy, whom many will remember with great interest, is now in the Imperial College at Pekin, pursuing his studies. An interesting class of boys, which Mrs. Loomis taught for some time, had returned to China, being deemed too young to remain here with advantage. . . Rev. Dr. Loomis gave notice that the school would open again on March 2d or the fifteenth day of the Chinese first month.

These interesting exercises bore ample testimony to the faithful labors of the patient workers in this important Mission. We thought, as we heard the announcement concerning the great and enlarged success of the work during the past year, "What wonder! it is but the natural result of the heroic toil of former years. Shall there be long years of ploughing and subsoiling, patient labor in sowing and in watering, and shall there be no harvest?" The fruit of former years is ripening, the fields are white for the harvest. As the Annual Report of this Mission appeared in the Occident last week, details are not needed here; but too much credit can scarcely be awarded to the veteran worker in this field, Rev. A. W. Loomis, D. D., who has labored so earnestly for long years, and to his faithful co-worker, Rev. I. M. Condit, who for several years has been associated with him in this important Mission. Let the lovers of Christ's cause bestir themselves, and let them aid in the carrying forward of this noble work!

At the close of the entertainment, the members of the school were invited to partake of an excellent collation, which had been prepared for them at the Chapel, by the ladies interested in the Mission. All in all, this was unquestionably the finest exhibition of the Chinese work ever given in San Francisco. It should prove an incentive to larger endeavor and greater fidelity to every Christian heart.

ENCOURAGEMENT AT ODANAH.

The Rev. I. Baird, of the Chippewa Mission, wrote as follows under date of March 31st.

Both our church and our Sabbathschool have been better attended since New Year's, than ever before. At both we have had mostly about or very nearly one hundred on an average. At our last communion we received four new members on a public profession of their faith in Christ. One of them was the only daughter of our interpreter, Mr. Blatchford. She and her husband both came forward. It was a glad day to old Mr. and Mrs. Blatchford; in fact it was a day of rejoicing to us all. One of our own boarding house boys came forward, as also the mother of one of the girls in the boarding-house, whom we received last summer.

The day was one of deep and solemn terest. We had three services, one interest. at 10.30 A. M., the communion at 2.30 P. M., and another service at 6.30 P.M. There were about one hundred or upwards on each occasion; and this, too, notwithstanding the efforts of the Roman Catholic party to draw off all their folks, and the fact that the heathen party had a grand medicine dance, in order to gather all their party away from us. When these facts are known, it is certainly a matter for devout gratitude to God, that in a population of four or five hundred Indians, one hundred should be found three times on the same Sabbath in the house of God. Our work this whole winter has been pleasant and cheering. Since my arrival here, a year ago, I can see many and decided improvements. In one short year fifteen have been admitted to sealing ordinances. Others are abandoning their heathen ways and seeking the Way of Life. True, we have had our discouragements and drawbacks, but upon the whole, I think the Lord has signally blessed us.

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KF Synods in SMALL CAPITALS-Presbyteries in italics-Churches in Roman.

ALBANY-Albany-1st ch Albany 185; Princetown ch 31 22. Troy-Chester ch 80 296 22

BALTIMORE—Baltimore—1st ch Baltimore, thro' Miss Bainbridge, for Bogota 173; Ellicott City ch, Patapsco Sab-sch, for Corisco 30; Churchville ch 35. New Castle-Bridgeville ch 10. Washington City-Metropolitan ch, Sab-sch, Washington 9 05; Gurley Chapel, to sup girl in Japan 10 267 05 CINCINNATI.-Cincinnati-Bethel ch 6; Montgomery ch 38 44 00

CLEVELAND.—Cleveland—Ashtabula ch Sab-sch 25; Western Reserve College ch 10; 1st ch 25; Western Reserve College on 10; 1st on Cleveland 240. Mohoning—Bainbridge ch, Silas Leonard 10. St. Clairsville—Portland ch 9 14; Scotch Ridge ch 7 40. Steubenville—Bethel ch 29 16; Salineville ch 22 85; Wayne-burg Sab-sch Miss'y Soc'y 14; 1st ch Steubenville, for India sufferers 20, Sab-sch 50=70 437 55 COLUMBUS.—Wooster—Dalton ch 56; Ashland ch, Legacy of Miss S Anderson 2 50; Wayne ch 5: Shloh ch 1. Zmesville—Salem Ger ch 461.

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INDINA, SOUTH.—Indianapolis—Southport Sab-sch 2. E. Hoffinan 1=3; Columbus ch 12. New Albany—Monroe Sab-sch 1. Vincennes—2d ch Terre Hante 15 31 00

Iowa, North.—Cedar Rapids—Linn Grove Sab-sch 7 20; Anamosa ch 80 ets. Dubuque—Asspy ch 8; Frankville Sab-sch 1. Fort Dodge—Storm Lake ch, F Hahn 10. Waterloo-Rock Creek ch 1 66 28 66

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MICHIGAN - Detroit-Fort St ch Detroit 92 90, Debt 5=97 90; Westminster ch, Detroit 16 73, Kalamazoo--1st ch Sab-sch. Kalamazoo, special, or China 12 to sup native preacher 100=112. Lansing-Mason ch 30; 1st ch Lansing 18 55 275 18

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NEW YORK .- Hudson-Port Jervis Sab-sch 7; Hamptonburg ch 23 60; 2d ch Middletown 28 86; 1st ch Middletown 14 80; Coshoctou ch 93 cts; Damascus ch 95 cts; West Town ch 8 82; 1st ch Washingtonville 16. New York-Brick ch 563 45; Church of the Covenant 250: Murray Hill ch Sabsch No. 56, to sup Jas D McKee, India 55 38; 4th Avenue ch 17 55; Brick ch Chapel 11 30; Enanuel Chapel 6th st 3 68. North River-Cal-vary ch, Newburg 20 59. Westchester-Pound-ridge ch 12; Thompsonville ch 21; 1st ch Yon-kers 11 44; Bedford ch, Legacy of Betsy H Mead, dec'd 266 92; Greenburg ch 6 56 1.340 83 PACIFIC.-Sacramento-Placerville ch 4 50. San Francisco-Calvary ch San Francisco 557 75 562 25 Hamptonburg ch 23 60; 2d ch Middletown 28 86;

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PHILADELPHIA.—Chester.-Media ch 12 21. Lacka-anna—Tunkhannock ch 17 20; Towanda ch *Tunkable Andrews and States and* Jamestown ch Sabsch 1 50; Lower Mt. Bethel ch 8 73; Weatherly Sabsch, for Canton 35. *Philadelphia*—1st ch Philadelphia 139 43; 9th ch, to sup two children in China 100. Philadelphia Central—Ist ch Kensington 193; Cohocksink ch Sab-sch 69 62; North Broad St ch 170 71. Phila-delphia North—Union Meeting of Germantown chs, for Africa 18 60. Westmuster—Middle Oc. torara ch 40; Wrightsville ch 9 60 1,139 32 PITTSEURGH.—Blairsville—Salem ch 51 20; New 1,139 32

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WESTERN NEW YORK .- Buffalo-Silver Creek WESTERN NEW YORK.—Bullato—Silver Creek ch 15 23; Westminster ch Buffalo 74 95; Central ch Buffalo 74. Rochester—1st ch Sparia 10; Me-morial ch Rochester 5; Central ch Rochester 99 53; Lima ch 27 72 306 43 Wisconstn—Chippeva—1st ch La Crosse 8; North La Crosse ch 2; Burns ch Sab-sch 1 30. Lake Guession South Ste Maria ch 5. Miltrauker

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A PRAIRIE BIRD.

A missionary of the Board of Publication in Iowa gives the following somewhat amusing experience in conducting a prairie prayer-meeting:

"On one of the sultry days in August I attended a prayer-meeting in a school-house on a prairie far out in the north-west. Being at my appointment in season, I could notice the people as they arrived. One man especially arrested my attention. He came with a wagon drawn by two yoke of oxen. On the top of a load of hay were perched his wife and baby, while he walked beside the team. His dress consisted of shirt, hat, and pants, and an iron foot in the place of a natural one. After unloading his freight, he came into the school-house and walked past me several times, eyeing me sharply, but failing to look me out of countenance. At last he said, in a tone of voice compared with which Dr. Howard Crosby's in the last Assembly was but a tinkling cymbal, 'Are you the fellow that's to hold this meeting?' I said, 'Yes, I thought I would come over and meet with you this afternoon.' He replied that he wasn't much at speaking or praying, but if there was any singing to be done, we could count him in. I replied that I was glad of that, as I wasn't much of a singer myself. All the time I could see mischief in his eye. Upon my invitation he took a seat beside me, and I then told him he must be aware that, at such meetings, there were sometimes those who did not behave very well. He said that if any fellows there misbehaved, they would feel the weight of his iron foot. I told him I thought that would be unnecessary; that his influence and example would probably be sufficient to preserve order. A goodly number having assembled by this time, I asked my new friend if we had not better begin. He said he thought we had. We then sang 'All hail the power of Jesus' name,' in which the man joined with all his might, singing in good taste. During my talk, after singing and prayer, my friend several times ejaculated, 'That's so, boys.' We had a quiet and good meeting, after which my assistant asked me to go home with him. I was obliged to decline, but promised to take dinner with him the next day-and did. He was very pleasant, and said I had the best way of bringing a fellow to time of any one that had ever been , on that prairie. I was told that was the first time this man had ever been known to behave himself in meeting. I left him a good supply of tracts and cheap publications, and promised to give him a call the next time I passed that way."

AN EXCELLENT BOOK.

The following notice of the Rev. R. M. Patterson's book, entitled "Paradise," recently published by the Board of Publication, is taken from one of the daily papers of Philadelphia, and is understood to have been written by a prominent and able member of the Philadelphia bar.

Paradise: The Place and State of Saved Souls between Death and the Resurrection. By Robert M. Patterson.

The title of the above work is fully explanatory of its intent, and is sufficient to at once awaken our liveliest interest. There are few even of those little given to thought beyond the realm of things temporal in an age, where, to a greater or less extent, the taint of scepticism pervades all classes, not excepting even the church itself, for whom such a theme does not possess a degree of fascination. And why, indeed, should it not be so? Man has been described as a religious animal, and though he struggle ever so fiercely against his intuitions, and endeavor to persuade himself that he has substituted the deductions of science for the light of revealed religion, it is more than doubtful if man born of woman has ever yet succeeded in entirely discarding his premonitions of a future existence. He, alone, the autocrat of the animal kingdom, the paragon of the world's creation, is imbued with the consciousness of a life to come, a conviction he cannot utterly repress, reason he never so wisely. Thence arises the natural interrogatory, the anxious questioning of the soul concerning the nature of this existence, and the interest with which a work like that before us cannot but be invested. The author's treatment of this theme is in the form of speculations, sustained by the assurances and declarations of the New Testament, and by the conclusions logically deduced therefrom, as to "the abode and state of saved souls between death and the resurrection of their bodies." After pointing out the immediate and practical interest the question possesses to Christians, the author proceeds to show that we have a right to claim as definite knowledge in relation to "the majestic theme of our immortality," not a mere groping or guessing, but a reading of what God has revealed. "Messages have come to us from the unseen world. They tell us something about it—very little, doubtless, in comparison with what we shall see hereafter. We know only in part. The reality will be infinitely more glorious than we can now imagine. But the descriptions that are given, as far as they go, are certain, and they are fitted to cheer us while we are here, and to make us yearn for the full realization in the hereafter." Taking the Saviour's assurance to the dying thief upon the cross, "To day shalt thou be with me in Paradise," we have contained therein the germ of the whole Bible truth on the subject, in this, that it names the abode of the redeemed souls, teaches the immediateness of their entrance into it and involves their condition in it. From this we are led to a consideration of :- First. Paradise; the word, its meaning and history. Second. The inhabitants of Paradise. Third. The locality in the universe of Paradise. Fourth. The state of saved souls in Paradise. Fifth. The employment of saved souls in Paradise. Sixth. The holiness and happiness of souls and their mansions in Paradise. Each is so fully, logically and satisfac-toring treated that we do not save how issue can reasonably be taken with him on torily treated, that we do not see how issue can reasonably be taken with him on any vital point where the authority of the Gospel of Christ is acknowledged. for, though at times by the necessities of the case, historical and exegetical, direct and positive exhibition of revelations and not controversy or the statement of conflicting and perplexing opinions has been produced in an effort to elaborate and popularize a view, the attractiveness of which it appears to us difficult to That this effort has been successful, is but a mild assertion as to the chardenv. acter of the book. It is more than a success, it is a benefaction to the Christian world, calculated to stimulate Christian faith and to strengthen Christian belief; to cheer and encourage in life, to sustain and comfort in the hour of departure from earthly existence. We have found the book so fascinating that we regret that want of space will not permit us to give a few extracts from its most striking passages, but we would sincerely recommend our readers not to deprive themselves of the pleasure of its perusal.

Ar Synods in SMALL CAPITALS-Presbyteries in italics-Churches in Roman.

ALBANY.-Albany-Albany 1st 28 33; Albany 6th 7: Amsterdam 1st 7; Galway 1 50; Prince-ton 9 32. Troy-North Granville 17 65 15 ATLANTIC. - Vadkin-Statesville 40

BALTIMORE-Baltimore-Bel-Air 1 50; Taney-town 17 21. New Castle-Cool Spring 6; Dover 25; Elkton 14 50; Georgetown 4; Lower Bran-dywine 6 55; St George's 10 28. Washington City-Clifon 7 75; Washington, Metropolitan ch Scheck 11 85 Sab-sch 11 85 104 94

CENTRAL NEW YORK.—Binghamton—Bingham-ton North 91 cents; Cortland 26 58; Nineveh 18 06. Otsego—Franklın 33 cents; Otego 5 65 54. Laurence—Gouverneur 29 07; Oswegatchie 2d 9 45. Syracuse—Cazenovia 30; Syracuse, 1st Ward 63 cents. Utica—Utica 1st 46; Waterville 13 50; Wl:itesboro 7 90 190 08

CINCINNATI. - Chillicothe - Mt. Pleasant 4 75; South Salem 7 52. Cincinnati - Cincinnati, Avon-dale 86. Dayton-Oxford 10. Portsmouth-Man-chester 7 60

CLEVELAND .- Cleveland -- Cleveland 1st 30. Mahoning-Ellsworth 11 50; Youngstown 20 11. St. Clairsville-Crab Apple 12; Portland 1 03; Scotch Ridge 93 cens; Short Creek 5; York 4. Steu-benville-Carrolton 7; New Hagerstown 12; Oak Ridge 5 108 57

Columbus.—Athens—Bashan 1 05; Chester 4; Syracuse 1 15. Columbus—Lancaster 4 Woos-ter—Berlin 1; Chester 3 50; Dalton 19; Jackson 1; Orrville 2; Wayne 5. Zanesville—Hanover 3; Clark 8; Salem Ger 3 09 55 79

ERIE.—Battler—Martinsburgh 7; Mt Nebo 4 0; New Salem 8; Zelienople 4. Clarion—New Re-hoboth 8. Erie—East Greene 3; Erie, Pack 50. Kittanning—Boiling Spring 5; Freeport 35 05; Marion 7 20; Rural Valley 7 35. Shenango— Ukricanib 16 94 Clarksville 16 24 154 86

GENEVA.-Cayuga-Port Byron 20. Geneva-Geneva 1st 40 06; Phelps 18; Waterloo 40; West Fayette 5. Steuben-Pultney 3 50 126 56

HARRSURGE. - Carlisle - Dauphin 8; Harris-burgh, Pine St 176 74; Shippensburgh 19 45. Huntingdon-Birmingham 27; Miffinitown and Lost Creek 64; Milroy 5; Saxton and Yellow Creek 13 70; Shade Gap 4 65; Tyrone 10; Upper Tuppenerg 55. Tuscarora 8 50. Northumberland-Bloomsburgh 1st 30 66; St Mary's 7 25; Warrior Run 6 80; Washington 10 90. Wellsboro-Beecher Island 5; Farmington 2 50 4:0 15

ILLINOIS, CENTRAL.-Bloomington-Gilman 4. Peoria — Farmington 9; Mansfield 1 50; Prince-ville 17 08. Schuyler — Macomb 17 48 58

ILLINOIS, NORTH.-Freeport-Galena 1st 6 27; Marengo 4. Rock River - Hamlet 1; Peniel 19 30 30 57

ILLINOIS, SCUTH-Alton-Plainview 50 cts; Virden 1 45 1 95

INDIANA, NORTH.—Crawfordsville—Bethany 12 10. Fort Wayne—Huntingdon 2. Logansport—Michigan City 7 21 10

INFIANA, SOUTH. — Indiarapolis — Greencastle 21 77. New Allany—Livonia 5; Madison 2d 15; New Albany 1st 31 10. Vincennes—Bethany 2; Petersburgh 3; Vincennes 1st 7 84 87

IOWA, NORTH.—Cedar Rapids—Anamosa 10 cts; Clarence 4. Waterloo—La Porte City 4 77; Rock Creek 21 cents 9 08

Iowa, South.--Council Bluffs-Corning 5 90. Des Moines-Winterset 15. Iowa-Salina 2 10. Iowa 27 00 City-Summit 4

KANSAS.-Emporia-Chelsea 2; Westminster 4 90. Neosho - Fairview 1 40; Geneva 2 60; Liberty 1. Topeka-Hays City 7 18 00

KENTUCKY .- Louisville-Louisville, Walnut St 1 07

MICHIGAN .- Detroit - Detroit 1st 142 21; Detroit, Westminster 2 09. Lansing-Lansing 1st 146 64 2 34

MINNESOTA .- St Paul-Fergus Falls 11. Southern Minnesota—Freemont 5; Rushford 1; La Crescent 3 33. Winona—Winona Ger 2 22 33 22 33

MISSOURI - Platte-King City 1; Union 2. St Louis-St Louis 1st 10 13 00

Louis-St Louis 1st 10 13 00 New JERSEY.- Elizabeth -- Elizabeth 3d 3 18; Elizabeth, Westmunster, a member 11; Meut-chen 1st 1 25; Pluckamin 86 cts: Summit Cen-tral 2 23; Westfield 210. Jersey City-Paterson 1st 46; Tenafly 2 Monmouth-Bordentown 3 50; Brucksburgh 6 73; Jacksonville 3 10. Morris and Orange-Flanders 10 25; Morristown 1st 5 65; Mt Olive 28 88; South Orange 119. New-ark-Newark Centra 27; Newark, Park 2 65. New Brunswetck-Hamilton Square 7 25; King-ston 18 49; Lawrence 14 25; stockton 1 50. Newton - Blairstown 3 17. West Jersey-Cold Spring 22 80; Fairfield 13 52; Fislerville 15; Saleu 40; Williamstown 3 50 414 66 NEW YORE.-Boston-Newburyport 1st (of which

Spring 22 80; Fairneid 13 52; Fislerrine 15; Salen 40; Williamstown 3 50 Ladies' W Col Assoc'n 35) +9, Hudson-Cochec-ton 12 cts; Damascus 12 cts; Goshen 33 16; Hamptonburgt, 2 9'; Middletown 1st 186; Mid-dletown 2d 3 64; Washingtonville 1st 2; West Town 80 cts. New York-Harlem 1st 13 79; N-w York, Brick 60 58; New York, Brick ch Chapel 33. North River-Bethlehem 15 33; Newburgh, Calvany 18 14. Westchester - Bridgeport (of which fabs 5ch 25) 77; New Rochelle 40; Pound-ridge 10; Yonkers 1st 25 406 49 PHILABELFRIA.-Chester-Media 1 54; Upper Octorara 15 70; West Chester 29 37. Lackawan-na-Canton 17 78; Franklin 65 cts: Langchif 5 25; Orwell 5; Towanda ch Sab-sch 81 27. Le-high-Lower Mt Bethel 1 10; Mountain 4. Phita-derphia-Philadelphia 1st 132 (9): Philadelphia 10th, a 1ady 50. Philadelphia, Princeton 55 87. Philadelphia North-Carversville 2; Germantown 1st 215; Huntingdon Valley 6; Plumsteadville 5. Westminster-Cedat Grove 6; Middle Ociorar 15; Mt Nebo 3; Slate Ridge 12; York 95 27 15; Mt Nebo 3; Slate Ridge 12; York 95 27

843 06 PITTSBURGH.—Blairsville — Johnstown 10; La-trobe 21 60; New Alexandria 3. Pittslurgh.— Putsburgh, Shady Side 9 45. Washington—Mt Prospect 28 55; Wheeling 4th 10 cts. West Vir-ginu—Newburgh 5; Pennsboro 4 75 82 45

TENNESSEE. - Kingston - Bethel 7. Hopewell 2 30; Westminster 1 20 Union-10 50

TOLEDO —Bellefontaine—Bucyrus 1 87. Huron —Green Springs 24 cts; Sandusky 18 50. Mau-mee—Ilicksville 47 cts; Union 28 cts 21 36

WENTERN NEW YORK — Buffalo—Binffalo Central 9 33; Buffalo, Westminster 9 46; Panama 5. Genesee—Batavia 32 55; Leroy 27 12; Pile 5 60; Portageville 7 20. Rochester—Brockport 35 27; Lima 3 47; Rochester Central 12 55; Sparia 1st 152 55

WISCONSIN.—Chippewa — Nasonville 1; Neuls-ville 2; Neshannoc 5 80. Lake Superior—Mar-quette 29 25. Milwaukee—Deiafield 24 cts; Mil-waukee, Calvary 28 87; Ottawa 46 cts; Wau kesha 12 75. Wisconsin River—Platteville 1 70 \$2007 82 07

> From churches \$3,760 60

LEGACIES.—Legacy of Betsey H Mead, dec'd, late of Mt Pleasant, N Y 133 46; Legacy of Pru-dence Sloan, dec'd, late of Harrison Co, O 4 39 137 85

MISCELLANEOUS.

MISCELLANDOLS. Mrs Sarah Jane Amos, for Books for Liberia 6; Mrs E J Vance. Madison, Fla 5; "R" 1; Eev 8 F Tenney, Crockett, Texas 7; Kev H G Blay-ney, Wirt C H, West Va 2; Rev II H Jessup, Syria, for Books 11; "J H N," St Charles, Mo 9 33 34 33

Total receipts in June, \$3,932 78 S. D. POWEL, Treasurer.

BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION.

Corresponding Secretary, REV. H. R. WILSON, D.D., 23 Centre Street, New York. Treasurer, NATHAN LANE, ESq., 69 Wall Street.

As the last General Assembly not only resolved by an almost unanimous vote that the Board of Church Erection should be continued intact, but further resolved to increase its *pro rata* of receipts, by raising the apportionment from \$120,000 to \$150,000, will the churches suffer us to remind them, in advance, of the necessity of enlargement in their contributions? In the regular order, it would be our turn next year, to come up to the General Assembly with the cry of *debt* and plead for pledges, but with the help of the churches we are resolved not to do this thing, which indeed this Board has never done. Will not the churches come forward voluntarily and support us, in this our determination? The sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars was the very least the Committee on apportionment could *in conscience* suggest, for this important part of the Church's work. All of this is greatly needed, and much more than this will be called for.

Last year this Board was asked for nearly \$200,000, and judging from the number of letters and applications received since the meeting of the General Assembly, the demand upon us is likely to be much larger than it was last year.

In connection with these applications the statement is frequently made, "If you can grant us the aid needed to secure a house of worship, we pledge you that after this year we shall ask no further assistance from the Board of Home Missions, in supporting our minister." Others have said, "Help us to build a house of worship, and we will soon pay it back, as our congregation will be doubled, if not quadrupled—but if you leave us as we are, without a shelter, we must remain dependent upon the Board of Home Missions for years to come."

In view of these statements and facts, we ask the churches, is it wise to suffer these hundreds of feeble churches to remain in this dependent condition year after year, until all hope and aspiration after independence is crushed out of them, and during all this series of years they are hanging on to the skirts of their Alma Mater, drawing from \$200 to \$500 a year, to aid in supporting their minister, when (on an average) \$500 to supplement their own effort, would enable them to secure a commodious house of worship, and soon place them in a condition of selfsupport? Suppose fifty of these unsheltered churches receive this year from the Board of Home Missions the average sum of \$250-the total will be \$12,500. Now this amount given to assist in building would secure the completion of at least twenty five houses of worship this year, and a similar amount next year would supply the remaining twenty five churches and put them in a condition to contribute to each and all of the Boards-a thing they had probably never done or dreamed of being able to do before. How long will these churches consent to be pensioners? or rather, how long will it be before they will have paid back the \$500 they received from the Board of Church Erection? The effort which they have been prompted to make, by the encouragement given by the Board of Church Erection puts new life into these hitherto dejected churches, and their ministers feel more hopeful-encouraged and strengthened, as they see their congregations greatly increased in numbers and in readiness to work in the Master's vineyard. Listen to them. "We enjoy our new church very much. Since January 1st, twenty-five members have been admitted here, and others at another point. Our church has more than doubled its members. We have a prosperous, large and increasing Sabbath-school, and two weekly prayer-meetings have been established, and we are now prepared for systema ic benevolent work-shall do our best," &c.

Another says. "On behalf of our church, allow me to return our heartfelt thanks for the aid of our Board; without it, we could not possibly have built. The Church at large does not realize the very great importance of this Board of Church Erection. There are probably more churches die in this region from want of shelter, than from all other causes. Why don't they build? it may be asked. Simply because they cannot. They have not the necessary means. Some of them have tried and failed. With difficulty they have secured the ground and got most of the material for the building—but could go no further. Debt has stopped the work. For a while they struggled hard, but at length what they had secured was sold at a sacrifice to pay the debt—they lost all—became discouraged and died. Others have lingered on for years-more dead than alive-exposed to the summer heat and winter blast, they became bill ious-took the chills and died of congestion. I am glad that you are able to do as much as you have done for these poor suffering churches, but were the poverty of scores of these churches known to our people, I am sure there would be far more given for Church Erection, and many more of Christ's poor flocks be made to rejoice, as we have done, in sitting down in our Father's house-our sanctuary home, to worship God."

Once more. "For years I rode six miles to preach to this little church, in a school-house, but it did not grow. Some of the families moved to town and others elsewhere, that they might find a *Christian Home*. This disheartened the others, and at length I abandoned the field myself, for a year, feeling the church could not live. At length, I urged them to make one more united despe-rate effort to build. I told them if they could raise \$1600, I thought your Board would help them to the amount of \$500. They made the effort successfully-you did help them, and in one month the church was dedicated free of debt. There were sixteen new members added to the church. They have a Sabbath-school which crowds the house, and a prayer-meeting twice a week, where there never was such a meeting held before. Thus, by the aid of your Board, we have another flourishing church, which will soon be able to sustain a pastor. Almost every pastor in this western country could do what I have done, with the assistance of your Board; but without this aid, they cannot suc-They may report the organization of churches-to struggle awhile and ceed. die, after having cost some \$800 or \$1000 for fruitless missionary labor. Brethren, let us take hold of this work aright, and shelter these little flocks as we gather them, and so give them a chance to live, and prove a blessing to the cause of Christ."

DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION, JUNE 1874.

Ar Synods in SMALL CAPITALS-Presbyteries in italics-Churches in Roman.

ALBANY.—Albany—Albany 1st 45; Corinth 205; Rockwel Falls 5 70.

BALTIMORE.-New Castle-Bridgeville 5. Washington City-Washington, Metropolitan Sab-sch 34 44.

CENTRAL NEW YORK .- Binghamton -- Binghamton North 5 81. Otsego-Franklin 63 cts. St. Lawrence-Cape Vincent 11: Morristown 1 43. Syracuse-Cazonovia 38 05; Syracuse, 1st Ward 1 25.

CINCINNATI - Chillicothe- Wilkesville 1. Day-ton-Troy 1st 76 50.

CLEVELAND- Cleveland-Cleveland 1st 58. St. Chairsville-Concord 18 14: Portland 1 98; Scotch Ridge 1 80; St. Clairsville 30. Steubenville-Hanover 2.

COLUMBUS — Athens — Bashan 1. Columbus — London 9 50. Marion - York 8. Wooster - Berlin 1; Dalton 27. Zinesville-Hanover 5.

ERIE.-Allegheny-Bakerstown 10. Butler-Middlesex 15. Erie-Erie, Park 100; Warren 20. Kittunning-Marion 11 52.

GENEVA .- Cayuga-Auburn Central 25 30. Chenung-Elm.ra d 87; Havana 8 27. Lyons-Wolcoit 1st 11 50.

HARRISBURGH .- Carlisle - Mechanicsburgh 20 50. Huntingdon-Sinking and Spring Creeks 15.

ILLINOIS, CENTRAL.—Bloomington—Normal (of which 1 from Sab-sch classe- of Mr Conover and Miss Knapp) 7 60. Peorta—Oneida 8 40; Yates City 11.

ILLINOIS, NORTH.—Freeport—Galena 1st 12 10. Rock River—Hainlet 1.

ILLINOIS, SOUTH.-Alton - Carlinville 1st 6; Plainview 75 cts; V rden 3 32.

INDIANA, NORTH .- Logansport-Goodland 8.

Iowa, NORTH - Cedar Rapids - Anamosa 19 cts. Fort Dodge-Fort Dodge, 141 Ger. 4 55. Water-loo-Janesville 5; Rock Creek 41 cts.

KENTUCKY. -- Ebenez r -- Maysville 1st 3 50. Louisville-Louisville, Walnut St 1 72.

MICHIGAN.-Detroit-Detroit, Fort St 15 89; Detroit, Westminster 3 35. Lansing-Lansing 1st 4 51.

MISSOURI - Platte-Ereckinridge 2; Hamilton 2: New York Settlement 1. St. Louis-Bethel Ger 10; Si. Louis 1st 40.

NEW JERSEY.—*Elizabeth* — Elizabeth 3d 6 12; Elizabeth, Westminster 1(6: Metuchen 1st 2 01; Pluckannn 1 67; Summit Central 4 42; West-field 4 16. *Jersey City*—Jersey City, Prospect Ave 9 23; Rutherford Park 16 50; Tenafiy 3 96. Mortis and Orange-Morristown 1st 11 21. Nor ark-Newark, Park 5 11. Now Brunswick-Stockton 2 50; Trenton 2d 20. Newton-Blairstown 6 12.

New York.—Hudson—Cochecton 23 cts; Da-mascus 23 cts; Hamptonburgh 4 72; Middle-town 1st 3 60; Middletown 2d 7 02; Washing-tonville 1st 3 2"; West Town 1 52. New York-New York, Brick 130 09. Westchester-New Rochelle 104.

PHLAGELPHIA.—Chester—Media 3 05. Lacka-wanna—Franklin 1 26. Lehigh-Lower Mount Bethel 2 12. Philadelphia Lehiral—Philadelphia, Bethesda 39 48 Philadelphia North—German-town, Market Square 49 72. Westmunster—Mid-dio Checkers 15. Mount Lwr

town, Market Square 49 72. Westminster-Mid-dle Octorara 15; Mount Joy 5. Pirtsburgh-Oentre 18 50; Pittsburgh 2d 22 32; Pittsburgh-Oentre 18 50; Pittsburgh 2d 22 32; Pittsburgh-Shady Side 18 21. Redstone-Somer-set 3. Washington-New Cumberland 23; Pigeon Creek 25; Whiteling 4th 18 cts. ToLEvo.-Bellefontaine-Bucyrus 3 66. Huron -Green Springs 37 cts. Maumee-Hicksville 90 cts: Union 54 ccs.

90 ets; Union 54 ets.

WESTERN NEW YORK.—Buffalo—Buffalo Central 18; Buffalo, Westminster 18 23. Rochester— Dansville 21; Geneseo Central 24 21; Luna 5 94; Scored Let 21; Luna 5 94; Sparta 1st 5.

WISCONSIN - Chippewa - Nasonville 3; Neilsille 11. Lake Superior-Sault Ste Marie 5. Mulwaukee- Delafield 48 cis; Ottawa 93 cis.

MISCELLANEOUS .- "J H N," St Charles, Mo 4 50. LEGACY -Legacy of Prudence Sloan, dec'd, late of Harrison Co., Ohio 8 69. INTAREST, 429 46

Total receipts in June, 1874, \$2,112 81 NATHAN LANE, Treasurer.

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RELIEF FUND FOR DISABLED MINISTERS,

AND THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

REV. GEORGE HALE, D.D., Secretary. REV. CHARLES BROWN, Treasurer. OFFICE, 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

"Whose hath this world's good and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?"

In regard to collections, Dr. Robert Dickson at the late Assembly said:

"If you speak of the Church in its aggregate capacity of ministers, and elders, and members, then perhaps the Church is culpable in this matter; but there is less blame attached to the people, and as a sequence there is more blame attached to ministers and elders. A long pastorate has led me to this conclusion, that our people are willing to respond to everything that receives the approval of this General Assembly.

"The reason why we do not get more funds to meet the wants of our several Boards, is that the people have not had the opportunity of contributing. Our ministers and elders have a most solemn responsibility resting upon them in this matter. I feel sometimes as if I am, more perhaps than I ought to be, a Presbyterian of the Old School, because I feel that our Presbyterianism is sometimes lax in its administration. I feel that the exhortations and recommendations and injunctions of this General Assembly have but very little weight over the churches throughout the country. An injunction of the General Assembly is too often treated with cold neglect, and utterly with disrespect; and I have often felt as if the Presbyteries of our Church should call their congregations to a solemn and grave account, where there is neglect of any of the Boards."

CONTRIBUTIONS IN JUNE, 1874.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.		SYNOD OF ERIE.		
Pby of Albany.		Pby of Allegheny.		
Albany 1st ch	35 00	Bakerstown ch	10	00
STNOD OF ATLANTIC.		Pbu of Kittanning.		
Pby of East Florida.		Marion ch	8	64
St Augustine 1st ch	66 07	Pby of Shenango.		~~
SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.		Neshannock ch	30	00
Pby of New Castle.		SYNOD OF GENEVA.		
Wilmington, Central ch	50 00	Pby of Cayuga.		
EYNOD OF CENTRAL NEW YORK.		Meridian ch	9	83
Pby of Binghamton.		Pby of Geneva.		
Binghamton, North ch	1 32	Benton ch	23	00
Pby of Olsego.	49	SYNOD OF HARRISBURGH.		
Franklin ch	2.0	Pby of Huntingdon.		
Pby of St. Lawrence.	5 00	Duncanville ch	10	
Le Ray ch	0 00	Milroy ch	38	00
Pby of Syracuse. Syracuse, 1st ch	71 05	Pby of Northumberland.		
Syracuse, 1st Ward ch	91	Northumberland, 1st ch		00
Pby of Utica.		Sunbury ch	33	11
Utica, 1st ch	62 76	SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, CENTRAL.		
SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.		Pby of Peoria.		
Pby of Cleveland.		Yates City ch	11	00
Cleveland, 1st ch	36 00	SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.		
Pby of Mahoning.	-	Pby of Freeport.		
Youngstown ch	27 37	Freeport, 1st ch		68
Pby of St. Clairsville.	1 54	Galena. 1st ch	9	41
Portland ch	1 40	Pby of Rick River.		
Scotch Ridge ch		Hainlet ch	1	00
Pby of Steubenville. Canonsburgh ch	6 25	SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.		
BYNOD OF COLUMBUS.		Pby of Alton.		
		Carlinville, 1st ch	6	00
Pby of Wooster. Berlin ch	1 00	Plainview ch	-	65
Dalton ch	19 00	Virden ch	1	74
Mount Eaton ch	2 00 2 00	SINOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.		
Orrvillech	2 00	Pby of Logansport.		
Pby of Zanesville.	2 00	Goodland ch	.2	00
Hanover ch				

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SYNOD OF IOWA, NORTH.		
Pbu of Cedar Rapids.		15
Anamosa ch Vinton, 1st ch	39	15 00
Pby of Waterloo.		
Rock Creek ch		32
SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.		
Pby of Louisville. Louisville, Walnut St ch	1	29
SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.		
Pby of Brooklyn.	107	
Brooklyn 1st, Remsen St ch Brooklyn, Ross St ch, "J H"	135 20	90 00
Pbu of Nassau.		
Freeport ch		00
Newtown ch SYNOD OF MICHIGAN.	12	60
Pby of Detroit.		
Detroit, Fort St ch Detroit, Westminster ch	11	
	2	51
Pby of Lansing. Lansing, 1st ch	*3	51
Pby of Monroe.	•-	
Tecumseh ch	12	88
Pby of Platte.		
King City ch	11	
Union ch	2	00
Pby of St. Louis. St. Louis, 1st ch	10	00
SINOD OF NEW JERSEY.		
Pby of Elizabeth.		
Elizabeth, 3d ch Elizabeth, Westminster ch	157	76
Elizabethport ch	157 23	00
Metuchen, 1st ch Pluckamin ch	1	51
Summit Central ch	3	30 23
Westfield ch		04
P. y of Jersey City. Englewood ch add'l, Talbot Olyphant,	Eeg 5	00
Tenafly ch	2	89
Pby of Monmouth. Bass Kiver ch		
Cranbury. 2d ch	10	50 00
Tuckerion ch		00
Pbv of Morris and Orange. Madison ch	74	60
Mendham, 1st ch		19
Pby of Newark.		
Newark, Park ch	3	97
Pby of New Brunswick. Slockion ch	2	00
Trenton, 2d ch	23	
Pby of Newton.		70
Blairstown ch Pby of West Jersey.	3	76
Salem ch, extra	50	00
SINOD OF NEW YORK.		
Pby of Hudson. Cochecton ch		18
Damascus ch		18
Hamptonburgh ch Middletown, 1st ch		54 80
Middletown, 2d ch	5	46
Washingtonville ch West Town ch	1	40 18
Pby of New York.		
Pby of New York. New York, Brick ch New York, Scotch ch, add'l New York, 1st ch	107 15	63 00
New York, 1st ch	4229	
Pby of North River.		0.0
Newburgh, 1st ch	95	00
Pby of Westchester. New Rochelle cn	48	00
Poundridge ch	10	00
Poundridge Parsonage SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.	12	00
Pby of Chester.		
Fairview ch	18	00
Media ch	2	23

Poy of Lackowanna.		
Franklin ch Wilkesbarre Memorial ch	87	98 70
Pby of Lehigh.	01	10
Catasauqua. 1st ch	24	76
Lower Mount Bethel ch	1	65
Pby of Fhiladelphia Central.		
Philadelphia, Green Hill ch, a member Philadelphia, North Broad St ch		00 35
Pby of Westminster.	00	00
Middle Octorara ch	15	00
SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.		
Pby of Blairsville.		
New Alexandria ch	8	60
Pby of Pittsburgh.		
Pittsburgh, 2d ch Pittsburgh, Shady Side ch		74 16
Pby of Washington.	14	10
Wheeling, 4th ch		14
SYNOD OF TENNESSEE.		
Pby of Kingston.		
Maryville, 2d ch	3	00
Pby of Urion.		
Spring Place ch	3	00
SYNOD OF TOLEDO.		
Pby of Bellefontaine.		
Bueyrus ch	2	74
Pby of Huron.		~~
Green Springs ch		28
Pby of Maumee. Hicksville ch		70
Union ch		42
SYNOD OF WESTERN NEW YORK.		
Pby of Buffalo.		
Buffalo, Central ch		00
Buffalo, Westminster ch	14	18
Pby of Rochester. Lina ch	7	41
Roches'er, Central ch		83
Sparta, 1st ch	6	00
SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.		
Pby of Lake Superior.		
Sault Ste Maris ch	3	00
Pby of Milwaukee.		36
Delafield ch Ottawa ch		30 68
MISCELLANEOUS.		
Interest on Permanent Fund, G. H. Van Gelder, Esq.	103	00
N. Y., Painted Post, Mrs Eliza E Townsend		
Collection in the General Assembly for a		
	230	05
Sandwich Islands, Luhui, Kanai, Mrs Mary 8 Rice	55	25
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WIDOW	230	09
Sandwich Islands, Luhui, Kanai, Mrs Mary		
S Rice	55	25
Per "Presbyterian," A McIntyre, for an		
Aged Minister	7	00
Ohio, Youngstown, Mrs Mary M Edwards	10	00
Iowa, Grinnell, " from a iriend"	10	00
"From R"	2	00
D. C., Georgetown, "Thank-offering"		00
Pa., Tamaqua, Rev. John White		00
Pa., Philadelphia, Rev Louis R Fox	20	00
Mich., Covert, Mrs S E Sheldon		ι0
Philadelphia, from "a lady iriend"	1	00
West Virginia, Wirt C H, Rev Henry G		
Blayney		00
Per "The Presbyterian"		00
Detroit, Mrs M S Clayton		00
Mauch Chunk "K"		00
"HSB and wife"		00
N Y., Syracuse, from a lady	10	
Mo., St. Charles, from "J H N"		50
Ohio, Hanover Co., Legacy of late Pru-		
dence Sloan		35
Pa., Belle tonte, Mrs J E W, special		00
Mrs. G. special	20	00

Total receipts in June 1874, \$6801 39

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN.

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"REMEMBER THE POOR."

It should not be forgotten that among the Freedmen our Church has not only "an open door," but a people anxiously desiring, earnestly pleading for church and school privileges; that it is a sore trial to our Missionaries in the field to be constantly restrained from enlarging their work; and perhaps even a sorer trial to our Committee, to feel constantly obliged to refuse encouragement in this regard. Will not many, then, of the nearly 3000 churches which failed to help last year, feel it both a duty and privilege to give this year—liberally and soon, that we may be encouraged to go forward?

In a late article in the N. Y. Evangelist, by one who has visited the South and knows whereof he speaks, the writer says of the work needed among the colored people of the South, "Its magnitude, its necessities, and its hopefulness, have never been brought fully before the Church. But a fraction of our people understand what is required in order to cultivate this field properly, or how large have been the results thus far, of the means expended." And thus is it likely to remain, so long as a large number of the ministers of our Church decline to present this work and its wants to their respective charges.

We trust that churches accustomed to give in the summer season will do even more "liberal things" and remit *promptly*, for current work.

COMMUNION SEASONS.

Some extracts from the reports of a few of our Missionaries among the Freedmen, pertaining to their late communion seasons, may be read with interest by many. One writes from North Carolina—"I have good news to tell you. Yesterday we had the communion at this place. Ten persons were added to the church, nine of whom were our scholars. All of them can read the Scriptures for themselves, and gave good evidence of a work of grace begun in their hearts. They have been under care of the Session since last fall. Two more would have been received, but were absent from sickness.

"We had the services in the beautiful grove adjoining the church. I never saw a congregation more attentive and solemn. I really enjoyed the services. We baptized eight adults and ten infants. We had prayer meetings five nights, and preaching on Saturday. The elders want me to preach to-night, as there are several others much concerned about their souls' salvation. I will preach to them every night as long as they will attend. The church is now in a more healthy state than it has been for a long time. Oh may the Holy Spirit continue to bless us until every sinner is converted and brought to submit to Christ."

Another, from the same State, writes—"We have just got through our Spring communions. The last one, last Sabbath, at C—a church, with nine additions on examination, with a weeping, melted congregation, was deeply interesting. The people, though many could not get in the house, listened with rapt attention. Towards the close of the action sermon, when the interest seemed to rise very high, the people out doors rushed up and crowded the windows. Many wept profuse ly. ** * Organized a Temperance Society on Saturday, with thirty-five members, with all the elders signing the pledge. I preached on temperance on Saturday P. M. Deep interest. Collection \$4.23. Sabbath-school promising. Everything encouraging. Communion at C—e the Subbath before. Attendance very large, attention good, meeting solemn and impressive. Some called it 'a splendid meeting.' ** * Sabbath-school flourishing. ** * Eleven added since last communion. The late communion at S—e was exceedingly refreshing. Near two-thirds of the congregation were melted into tears. Very precious. Four added on examination."

We give the report of a colored minister from the same State, in full, viz.,

"Dear Brother:-Having closed another month of hard labor-1. I have preached twenty-one times; 2. received to the communion of the church twentyone; 3. baptized three adults; 4. baptized fifteen children; 5. administered the communion at three different points-travelled one hundred and ten miles. Yours, in Christ."

A brother in South Carolina, reporting for the month, says: "The first Sabbath I preached at $E \longrightarrow$; the second at Mt. Z—; the third was communion Sabbath at M—. I took in 19 members, and baptized 15 adults and 7 infants. The fourth Sabbath was communion at C—. Baptized 7 children, received 4 persons by letter, and put 15 applicants for membership into the training class in Sabbath-school. The fifth Sabbath, communion at G—. W—. Received 17 on profession, and one by letter. Baptized 17 adults and 17 infants. Total additions, 41—thirty six on profession and five by letter. Total baptisms, 67— adults thirty-one."

CLOSE OF SCHOOL TERM.

Our school term closes with June, and the superintendent, Rev. W. A. P., of one of our higher schools, writes—"Our closing exercises were a success. The boys did exceedingly well. They honored themselves and the school. Two of them will go to Biddle [Institute] in the fall; another will teach, as he has been doing. In his examination before the Board of Examiners, he received as highgraded a certificate as any teacher in the county, white or black. The people seemed very well pleased with our exhibition, and I think old W— gained a little more reputation. By the blessing of God we will succeed some of these days, if we hold on. * * *

"In looking over the work of the year, we see some improvement. 1st. School graded and brought up. 2d. Two young men for the ministry prepared for college. 3d. Church revived—many added. 4th. A Mission [1n connection with this church and school] established and prospering. 5th. The people encouraged, and making efforts toward self-support."

Another pastor, (colored) writing of the Parochial School connected with one of his churches, says: "Day-school closed with appropriate declamatory exercises, and vocal and instrumental music. At the last public examination of teachers for free schools, our day school was represented by a class of twelve or fifteen teachers prepared by us."

DONATIONS AT PITTSBURGH FOR FREEDMEN IN JUNE 1874.

Synods in SMALL CAPITALS-Presbyteries in italics-Churches in Roman.

ALBANY.-Troy-Waterford 20 31. Columbia-Dunham 1st 19.

ATLANIIC.-Atlantic-Edisto 1.

BALTIMORE.—Baltimore — Lonaconing 16. New Castle—Lower West Notingham 16; Zion 5. Carliste—Dauphin 10. Washington City—Washington, Metropolitan Sab sch 11 85.

CINCINNATI.-Chillicothe-Concord 3.

CLEVELAND.-Mahoning-Newton Falls 9 15. St. Clair sville-Cambridge 5.

COLURADO.-Colorado-Colorado Springs 1.

COLUMBUS. - Wooster-Lexington 4 25. Zanesville - Hanover 1.

GENEVA.-Geneva-Gorham 5; Painted Post 5.

HARRISBURGH.—Carlisle—Well's Valley 2; Newport 8 60; Centre 10; Lower Path Valley 16; Burnt Cabins 8.

ILLINOIS, CENTRAL.—Bloomington—Atlanta 3 40. Peoria-Peoria 1st 50.

INDIANA, NORTH.—Crawfordsville—Thorntown 5. INDIANA, SOUTH.—Indianapolis—Brownsburg 1; Clermont 1.

KANSAS.- Highland - Marysville 67 cents. Emporiu-Ilutchinson 1.

MINNESOTA.-St. Paul-Pine City 2; White Bear Lake 1; St. Paul 1st 9.

NEW JERSEY.—West Jersey-Cape Island 5. Elizaleth-Kahway Ist 4. Morris and Orange-Succa-Suuna Miss Soc'y 9; Mendham 2d 25. Newton-Musconetcong Valley 10 30.

NEW YORK.- Westchester-Hartford 1st 10; Poundridge 10. New York-North 38 38.

PHILADELPHIA.—Chester—Chester 1st 10; Wayne 14; Chester 3d 10. Westminster—Monaghan 13 3); Marietta 10; Statesville 2J 02. Philadelphia— Calvary 164. PHITSBURGH.—Blairsville—Johnstown 12. Pittsburgh—Central 29 30.

TOLEDO.- Huron-Huron 7. Maumee-West Amity 2; Mt. Salem 2.

UTICA.-Utica-New Hartford 8. Syracuse-Oswego 1st 10 15.

WESTERN NEW YORK.—Rochester—Sparta 2d 6 65; West Mendon 4; Sparta 1st 4. Genesee Valley— Rushford 5.

WISCONSIN. - Lake Superior - Menominee 7 35. Milwaukee-Brodhead 1.

MISCELLANEOUS.— Miss Jennie McNeil, special, for Scotia Man Building, Concord, N C 20; 1st ch Adriau, Mich 25; 1st ch Hanover, N J 40; 3d St ch Dayton, O 68; Warren ch, Pa 20; Central ch Auburn, N Y 31 30; Jefferson Avenue ch Sab-school, Michigan 20; New York Mills ch, N Y 62 25; Morristown ch, N Y 2 55; Bell Creek, Omaha 2 50; By Rev L Dorland, for Scotia, on Scholar-hip, from the Misses Thurston, Brooklyn, N Y 20, Miss A Andersou, Mansfield, O 5, On Main Building, from churches in Concord Mission 41 20; By Kev S Mattoon, for Biddle, from Presb cf Brooklyn, N Y 160, Miss R Gould 25, Miss G V Gould 50, A Friend 5; By Miss K Moorhead, for Sewing school—from Mrs Ledyard, Philadelphia, Pa 20; Licking and Spring cus, Pa 10; A Martien & Co, Proprietors of Presbyterian, for Missionaries in the South 10; A Martien & Co, for Orphan Children South 1; Kev J B Plumstead, Portage City, Wis 20; 1st ch Toledo, O 6: "W," Poland, O 16; 2d ch Cranbury, N J 20; Three Brobhers, Ellsworth, O .2 742 80

Total Receipts in June, \$1,445 51

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HOME MISSIONS.

SUSTENTATION DEPARTMENT.

The transfer of Sustentiation to the Board of Home Missions has been made as directed by the General Assembly. All communications respecting it should hereafter be addressed to the Board of Home Missions, 23 Centre St., New York.

Below are published, for information and use, the conditions of aid from Sustentation Department, form of Application, and form for Quarterly Report. It is hoped that all persons interested will give careful attention to these, as the Board will insist on full compliance with the principles and rules, as set forth.

It is known to the General Assembly, and the Church, that the transfer brought with it, to be provided for by the Board, a large indebtedness of over \$27,000, consisting,

1st. Of the \$21,940.20 due on the 1st of June, mentioned in the Report of the Standing Committee to the Assembly, as follows: "That the present and pressing obligations of this Committee (Sustentiation), demanding \$21,940.20 on June 1st, require the immediate attention of all its friends."

2d. A note in bank, maturing in September, for \$5,000.

And 3d. Unsettled accounts for printing, &c., for some hundreds of dollars.

Of this debt of \$27,000, part consisted of balances due pastors on quarters ending in the months of November, December, January, and February.

A larger part consisted in *full quarters*, due in March, April, May, and June. These are urgent and ought to be paid *at once*.

All money, whether for pledges made at the Assembly, or in collections from the churches, has been applied in the payment of this indebtedness, as fast as it has been received. Unless it comes in more largely and rapidly than it has since the Assembly, it will be a long time before the overdues to needy pastors will be paid. The attention of the Church is earnestly solicited to the *duty* of paying these too-long overdue claims.

These pastors, too, are pointed to the need of patience, as the Board can go no faster nor further than the Church provides the means. It must be remembered also, that the Board feels the effects of the universal stagnation and stringency caused by the late wide-spread financial panic. Of this all may be confidently assured, however, that the Board is most anxious to have every just claim promptly and fully settled and satisfied.

CONDITIONS OF AID FROM SUSTENTATION DEPARTMENT OF THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

1. Actual installation of the Pastor.

2. Salary of at least \$500, and as much more as possible.

3. Average of at least \$7.30 per member, in cash, exclusive of Manse. In case of two or more Churches, united under one Pastorate, each Church must pay the average per member.

4. Endorsement of Presbyterial Committee, and of Presbytery also.

5. No reduction of Salary from preceding years.

6. Church's Salary to be first actually paid in cash, and reported every quarter in full, as per blank form. The quarterage forfeited if not so reported.

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7. Advance contribution of at least one-twentieth of Church salary, including Manse rental. No commission bearing date till this is received.

8. Systematic giving (by envelope or collectors) to all the Boards.

9. No aid where aid-receiving Churches are contiguous, and could consolidate under one Pastor. Commission vacated by non-fulfilment of this condition.

Grant to date from actual fulfilment of all the above conditions. Pastor to bear no part of the salary, or of the \$7.30, or of the one-twentieth payment. Salary supplemented to \$1,000. Payments are made as determined by the Commission on receipt of the Quarterly Report, if regular and in order, or so soon thereafter as the funds will warrant.

FOR SECOND YEAR.

1. New application re-endorsed and conditioned as above, in all particulars.

2. Satisfactory evidence of advance towards self-sustentation.

FORM OF APPLICATION—HOME MISSIONS—SUSTENTATION DEPART-MENT.

Presbytery of.....

[Fill all the blanks, without exception, and forward to the Board of Home Missions.]

The......Presbyterian Church of.....under the care of the Presbytery of...... hereby applies to the Sustentation Department of the Board of Home Missions, (expecting and receiving aid from no other source,) for the minimum amount of \$......, to assist in making up a total salary of One Thousand Dollars, (of which we have in money, \$......, and in manse, \$......, pledged and secured by.......) for the support of Rev......, a member of the Presbytery of......, (regularly installed, as our Pastor, the.......day of...... 18 .) We agree upon our part, without aid from the Pastor or from abroad, to contribute, *strictly in advance*, at least \$......., (being the one-twentieth of our share of the Salary, including manse-rental,) to the funds of the Sustentation Department of the Board of Home Missions.

The P. O. address of Rev.....is.....

Our communicants number,.....Average attendance,.....Number in Sabbath School,...... We have in actual operation the......plan of systematic giving for the support of the Gospel and for all the Boards.

By order of the Congregation.

Church organized when?......Salary raised by us last year was \$......Membership last year was......Amount received from Sustentation was \$......Or Home Missions was \$......Have Church Edifice free of debt, or not?.....Nearest Presbyterian Church?.....

To be signed by Pastor, Elders, Deacons and Trustees.

......Clerk of Session.

TO THE SUSTENTATION DEPARTMENT OF THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS:

The church at.....having fulfilled the conditions of aid under the Sustentation scheme, viz: having a Pastor actually installed—at least \$500 salary in cash, and as much more as is practicable, and \$7.30 average per member in cash, *i* e., exclusive of manse—having in operation the envelope (or collector) plan for the systematic contribution of all the people to this and all the Boards of the Church—and herewith contributing at least one-twentieth of their part of the salary to this cause, in advance, and being found, on examination of the case, to have urgent need of this amount, and to have fair promise of becoming self-sustaining, and there being no

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other aid receiving church or mission-station which is so near as to be included under the same Pastorate, is hereby recommended for aid to the amount of \$.....

.....Chairman Com. of Sus.

Approved by Pres. of.....

.....Stated Clerk.

[FILL ALL THE BLANKS.] QUARTERLY REPORT OF

......Church.

Presbytery of.....

Have you the same Pastor as per last report?......Is he in full service?...... How many Sabbath and weekly services?.......Has he any other occupation?...... Does he receive aid from any other source?......Is Pastor's salary paid by this Church, and received in full, in cash, up to the close of this quarter, and to what date?......Is the Shorter Catechism taught?......What increase of members thus far this year?......Have you a weekly Prayer Meeting?.....Average attendance on Public Worship?......Can you increase your quota per member for the salary?......Have you regularly contributed to the Boards?......To which, and how much?......By what method?......How many have contributed?......

RECEIPTS IN JUNE 1874.

Synods in SMALL CAPITALS-Presbyteries in italics-Churches in Roman.

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ALBANY.- Albany-Albany 1st

CENTRAL NEW YORK.—Binghamton—Binghamton North 1 20. Olsego—Franklin 42 cts. Syracuse —Syracuse, 1st Ward 82 cents 2 44

CLEVELAND.-Cleveland-Cleveland 1st 33. St. C.airsville-Portiana 1 32; Scotch Ridge 1 20. Steubenville-Bethel 12 83 48 35

ERIE.—Erie—Pleasantville 25 30. Kittanning— Marion 7 92 33 22

HARRISBURGH.— Carlisle— Dauphin 10; Petersburg 2 12 00

ILLINOIS, NORTH.-Freeport-Galena 1st 8 06. Rock River-Hamlet 1 9 06

ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—Alton—Virden 1 60; Plainview 1 70 3 30

Iowa, NORTH.—Cedar Ropids—Anamosa 13 cts. Watertoo—Rock Creek 27 cts 40

KENTUCKY.—Louisville-Louisville, Walnut St 1 17

MICHIGAN.—Detroit—Detroit, Fort St 10 92; Westminster 2 30. Lansing—Lansing 1st 3 01 16 23

MISSOURI — Platte- Union 3: King City 1. St. Louis-51. Louis 1st 40; J H N, St. Charles, Mo 3 47 00

NEW JERSEY.—Elizabeth—Metuchen 1 38; Pluckamin 1 11; Elizabeth 3d 4 08; Westfield 2 76; Summit Central 2 92. Jersey Oty—Tenafly 263. Monmouth—Port Washington 2. Morris and Orange—Lower Valley 6; Morristown 1st 7 41. Newark-Newark, Park 3 41. New Brunswick-Stockton 2. Newton--blanstown 4 08 59 78

NEW YORK.—Hudson—Hamptonburg 3 24; Middletown 2d 4 68; Cochecton 15 cts; Danascus 15 cts; Washingtonville 1st 2 21; West Town 1 02; Middetown 1st 2 40. New York—Hrick 79 51; North 41 22 134 57

PHILADELPHIA.—Chester—Media 2 02. Lackawanna-Franklin 84 cts. Lehigh—Lower Mount Bethel 1 42 4 28

PITTSBURGH.—Blairsville—New Alexandria 3 29; Johnstown 15; Congruity 5. Pittsburgh-Pittsburgh 2d 15 35; Pittsburgh, Shady Side 12 14. Hastington-Wheeling 4th 94 51 72

TOLEDO.-Belle'ontaine-Bucyrus 2 43. Huron-Green Spring 26 ets. Maumee-Union 36 ets; Hicksville 60 ets. 3 05

WESTERN NEW YORK -Buffalo-Buffalo, Westminster 12 10; Buffalo Central 12. Rochester-Lima 4 02; Kochester Central 16 14 41 31

WISCONSIN.-Milwaukee-Beloit 17 75; Ottawa 61 cts; Detafield 32 cts. 18 68

Total received from churches, \$500 16

LEGACY - Legacy of Prudence Sloan, late of Harrison Co., Onto 576

Total. \$505 92

O. D. EATON, Treasurer.

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